Stronger Together

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2020/2021

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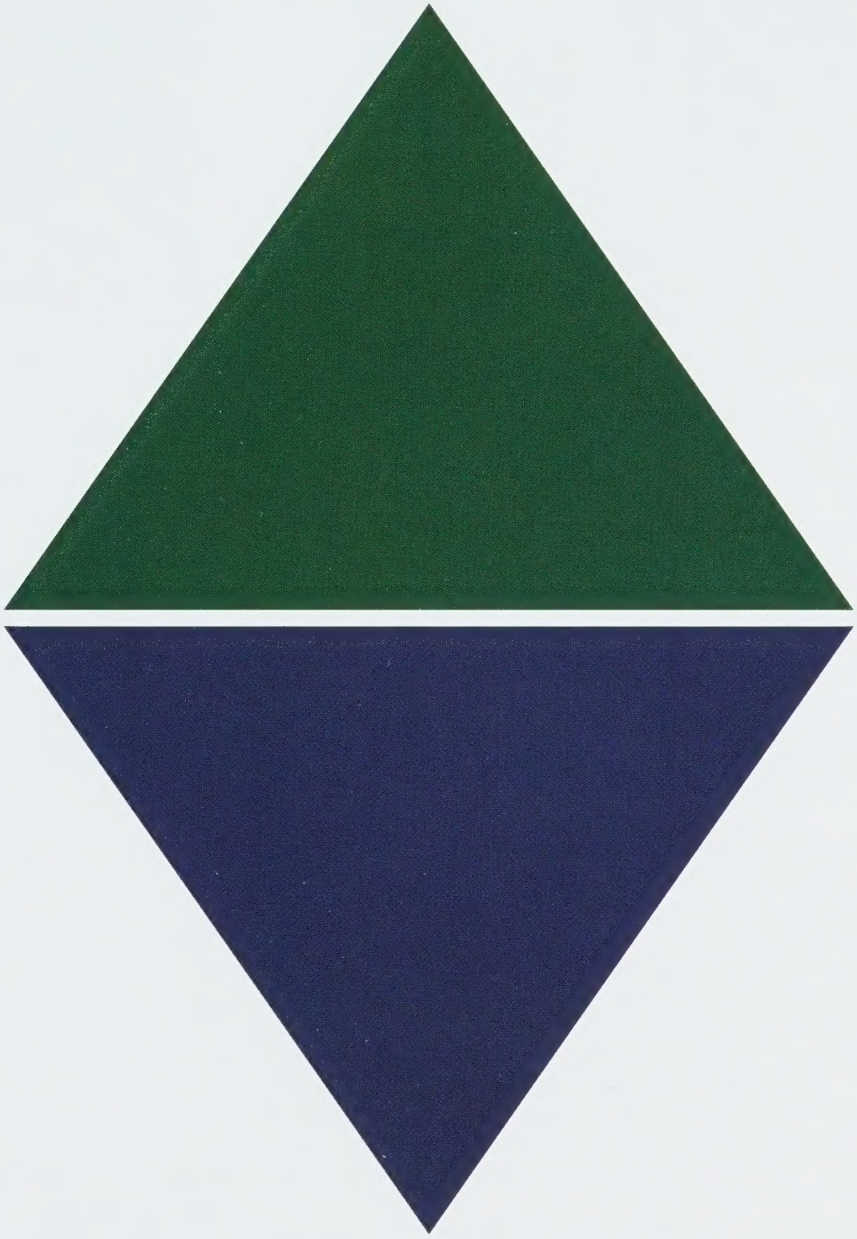

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Head of School

CHAD HOLTUM

Someday, 2020/2021 will be acknowledged as the least conventional year in the history of our school. It's been a year in which we've been required to adapt and strategize and revise and compromise. But, though it all, we've preserved both as a school and as a community.

GNS is a partnership between school and family, and like any successful partnership, it takes work. It demands effort. It requires communication. I've been overwhelmed by the messages of support and enthusiasm that I have received from so many.

To our parents, who have been a source of constant support and patience. Thank you.

To our faculty and staff, who have continued their work of inspiring the great minds of tomorrow even during these times of turbulence. Thank you.

To our students, who have taken our school's motto to heart. Embracing challenge as opportunity and doing their best, each and every day through truth and courage. Thank you.

While there is no question this year has been unusual, our students have continued to grow and to succeed. To dream big and to learn the skills required to turn those dreams into realities. And there is, perhaps, no group more successful at realizing their aspirations than the Class of 2021. This remarkable group of caring leaders is impressive on many fronts.

Not only has this talented group earned over $1.6 million in scholarship offers from post secondary institutions around the world, but they have also made meaningful contributions to the school and the greater community. During their four years at the senior school, they completed 8,053 hours of service with 2,243 of those hours occurring during their Grade 12 year alone. during a pandemic. This is an impressive example of how these students have embodied the core values of GNS.

Congratulations to all our students, staff and families for what you have achieved this year. We will never know exactly what tomorrow will bring, but we have proved that whatever the challenge, we are ready to meet it head on. Together.

Thank you for this remarkable year.

Junior School Principal

JEAN BIGELOW

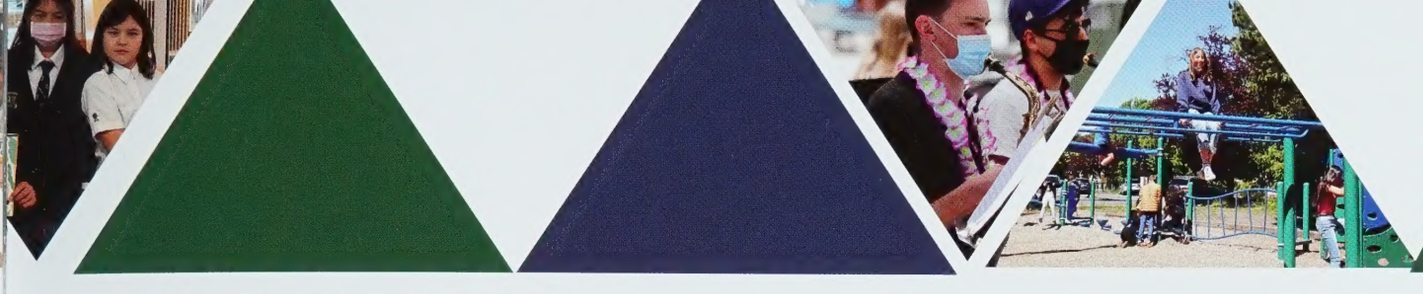
It was another great year of learning and fun at the Beach. We were so lucky to be able to move into the newly transformed buildings, where we could spread out and learn in world-class facilities. From the huge new art room and gym to the expanded new hub of the school—the Learning Commons—we all felt the warmth of the new building as soon as we stepped in the doors. The music centre, the two amphitheatres and the incredible new turf were the icing on the cake.

Our motto for the year was Stronger Together and we sure were! We adhered to the COVID-19 protocols and stayed safe as we learned each day. Masks and social distancing did not get us down as we discovered different means to acquire knowledge and have fun along the way.

We found new ways to hold the Grade 5 Exhibition, the Grade 3 Extravaganza, The Grade 4 Surf and Turf, the Grade 2 salmon hatching field trips, the hikes, trips to Jimmy Chicken Island and so much more. Nature School continued to be a highlight of the year in JK and K. All of these great activities supported great learning through the Units of Inquiry. It was a wonderful year.

And now my time at GNS has come to an end. The Junior School is in great hands with Ms. Shea at the helm, and as I leave, I send you all my love and thanks for everything you have given me these past 10 years.

I will miss you all.



Middle School Principal

DAMON HENRY

It has, indeed, been a remarkable year. Now that we have come to the end, we are able to look back and reflect. We started the year with so much uncertainty, so many unknowns and perhaps some hesitancy or anxious feelings. And not just because we were starting a new year, or perhaps starting a new school, or joining the PW campus from the Beach.

Because of the pandemic, this year began unlike any other we had ever had before, for students, teachers and families. Though we were here at school—and so very happy to be here in person—it was different. Lunchtime looked different. Recess was different. Classrooms looked different. Assembly was different. And teaching and learning looked different.

So what did we do? We adapted. Teachers adapted. They were incredibly flexible and found new ways to engage their students. They were creative and tried new things. Students adapted. You adjusted to the changes and just carried on. You continued to do your best, with truth, with courage and with commitment and dedication. And families adapted. Supporting their children from home and helping them cope, adjust and make sense of a world that looked very different.

The pandemic impacted our lives in many ways—socially, emotionally, and academically. Perhaps in our ability to do some of our favourite co-curricular activities. The pandemic also impacted our mental health, as we coped with a new reality. These are real, legitimate challenges and obstacles in your path. But what I say to you is this: embrace challenge. Embrace adversity. Because I hope that one of your lessons from this year is that you can do difficult things, and by knowing that we can do difficult things, we are able to grow and learn. Because without adversity and challenge, there is no change. And learning, growing, developing is all about change. So embrace it. Embrace challenge.

To the Middle School students: thank you for being awesome. You are the reason we are here, and your energy, positivity, enthusiasm and desire to learn are what gives this place life. As I said, you've faced challenges and you've overcome them and I've been so impressed with your accomplishments this year and your ability to adapt, persevere and show resilience.

Thank you for helping to make this place the special school that it is.

Senior School Principal

DOUG PALM

It has been an amazing year in the Senior School. One that has been amazingly challenging and has demanded amazing adaptability and amazing patience. And at the same time, through truth and courage, it has been an amazingly successful year, too. Throughout the year, at assemblies and at other events, we have acknowledged the progress and achievements of many. We are very proud of the accomplishments of all our students, most especially in the way they care and support each other in their quest to do their very best.

Under 'normal' circumstances, a successful school year only occurs with the concerted and coordinated efforts of everyone in the community. With the year we have just had, the GNS community has been a wonderful example of how a group of people can overcome any challenge. I would like to acknowledge those groups and how they contributed to this year's success.

To Our Senior School Families: Thank you for supporting your children in so many ways to be able to commit to, and be successful in a myriad of activities and opportunities.

To the Senior School Students: You are the reason we are all here and especially this year, you have provided a presence and energy that has fueled us through until today! You inspire us all to do our very best as you burst on the scene with your energy, enthusiasm, commitment and incredible positivity! We all thank you for contributing on so many levels to a very successful year.

To the Support Staff: Thank you for your dedication, commitment, professionalism and never-ending energy as you provide the essential framework and support that allows the school to run so smoothly.

To the Senior School Teaching Staff: Each year, your energy, wisdom, commitment, and dedication shines through daily! The level of excellence of which you demand of yourselves in order to support, encourage and develop each students' learning and character is inspiring.

And to the GNS Grad Class of 2021: Leaders that are brave enough to be the light, that elevate those around them as a powerful, positive tide and look back to ensure those that come another day will be supported, I am confident you have, and will continue to make a true difference in the world. We are proud of you, Gryphons and have learned so much from you. "Do your best through truth and courage."

Junior

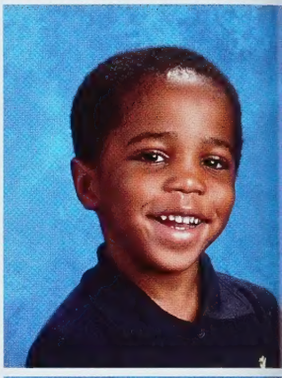
SCHOOL

JKB

Meera Bandechha

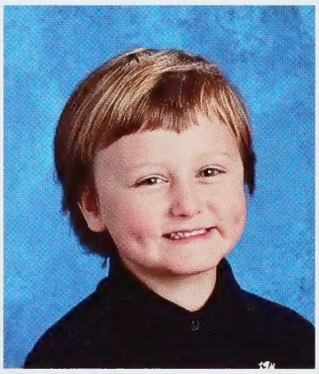
Lauren Kite

Robbie Anderson
Nicholas Butler
Lucia Chen
Jigidem Enyinnaya-Onyema



Sasha Gacek
Vivian Gao
Ryan Gustavson
Cove Heal

Hudson Hoogerdyk
Niklas Kaeshammer
Charlie Mullin
Audrey Simpson



James Sparling
Sawyer Steele
Evie Stoner
Olive Ubeda Bosman

JKD

Joanne Dunn

Vicki Wallace

Renata Shaw

Carson Benna
Kieran Byrne
Rory Evans
Hugo Hartney

Evelina Hartshorne
Torin Macrae-Miller
Sam Massyn
Emerson Mattenley

Imogen Murphy
Brandon Parkes
Charlie Petzing
Ellie Plett

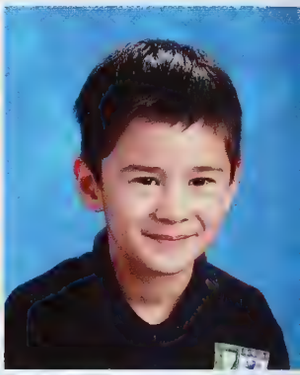
Maggie Swatland
Cooper Ward
Victoria Worthington
Adrian Zhang

JR. KINDERGARTEN

KB

Aleesha Bird

Mélusine Baert
Hallie Brooks
Lachlan Brown
Jasper Burn



Bryce Colibaba
Aiden Fan
Catherine Han
Jacob Hertel

Freddie Isted
Sebastian Jacobsen
Wilder Malcolm
Aria Singal

Brayden Wright
Amy Xu

Janna Sullivan

KS

Lillian Allard
Violet Armstrong
Greyson Carkener
Max D'angelo

Noa De Zwager
Will Demetrioff
Russell Findlay
Reef Heal

Jonathan Howard
Grady McCall
Kate Peglar
Charlie Ronkai

Alexandra Scott
Lauren Sluggett

KINDERGARTEN

Wednesday
Thursday
Friday
Saturday

Grade 1F

Meghan Filgate

Sonali Arneja
Grace Byrne
Beau De Zwager
Avery Elliott
Alexa Hartshorne

Jeremy Jiang
Sanaya Koswatta
Ophira Mills
Milo Moss
Charlie Pullen

Lucy Robinson
Lena Son
Jack Swatland
Jaden Wang
Alexander Wilkinson

Mira Zhang

GRADE 1G

Jill Graham

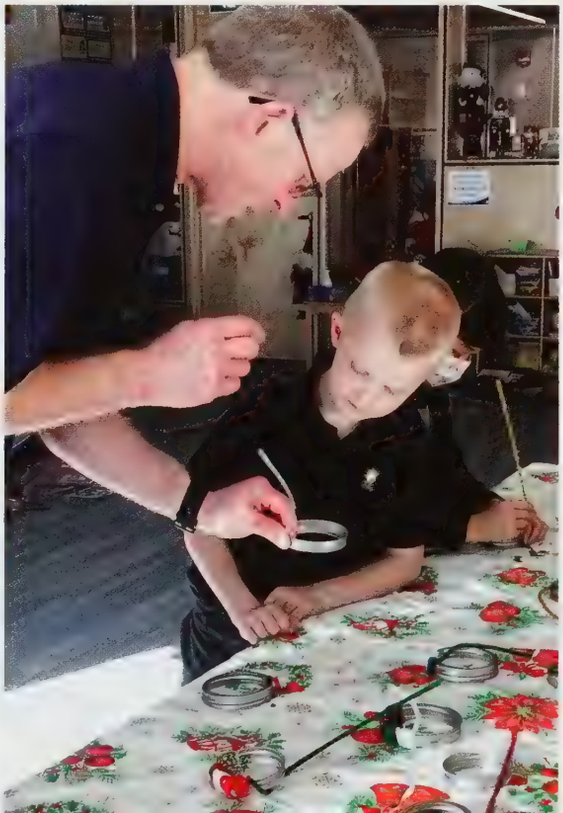
Christopher Butler
Lillian Chen
Mini Chen
Piper Coughlin
Arnaz Dhillon

Adrian Erickson
Ellis Halperin
Phillip Han
Fiona Huang
Isaiah Larson

Kate Nielson
Ryan Oliver
Aleksander Opalski
Ellie Sun
Inaya Thomas-Velji

Finley Warder
Aidyn Windsor
Viviana Xin

GRADE ONE



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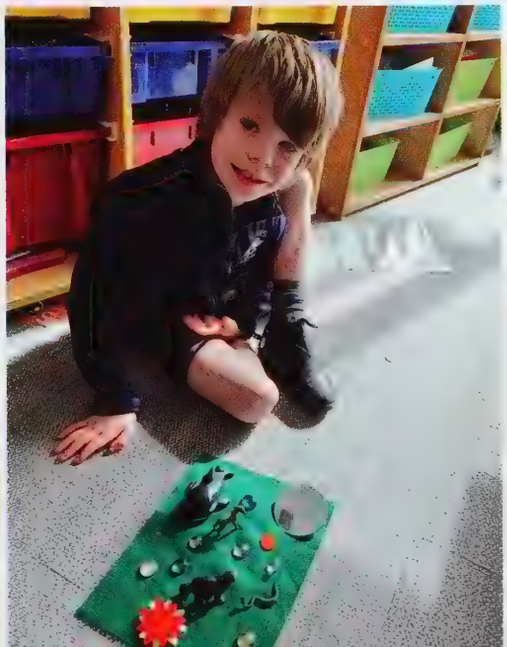
Some things I did this summer!



Grade 2N

Judy Newman

Julie Bateman
Jake Blenntoft
Eloise Clark-Shigley
Conner Colibaba
Nanxi Dong

Harida Enyinnaya-Onyema
Annika Filuk
Zemirah Gill
William Howard
Olivia King

Charlee Parkes
Oliver Plett
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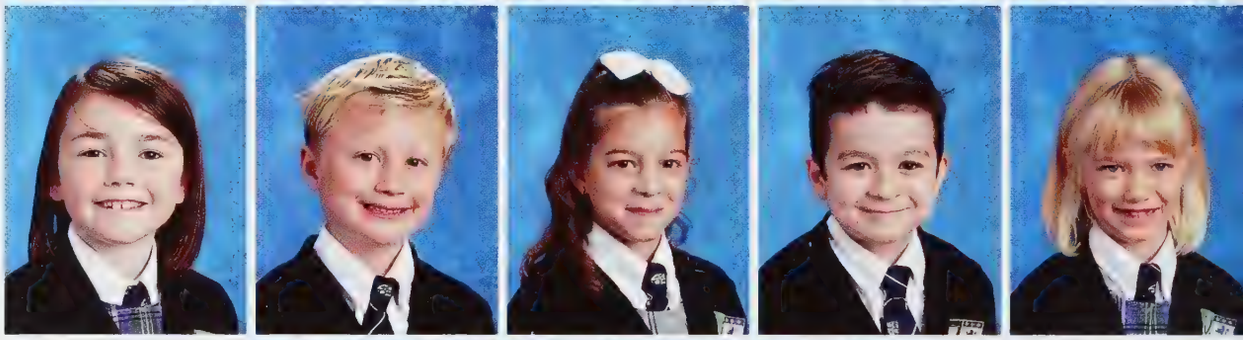
Victor Serpa
Cora Simpson



Lewin Son
Cole Wall
Bella Zhou

Kath Wild

Grade 2W

Lucas Bi
Maximus Carkener
Ruby Crowe
Kristin Daniel-Park
Alice Demetrioff

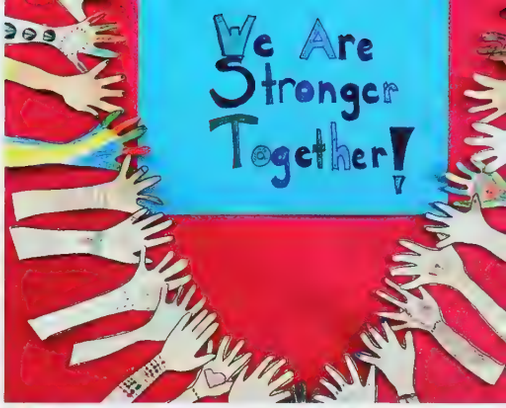
Christopher Dong
Charlotte Hartney
Juliette Hayes
Bentley Hoogerdyk
Ivar James

Jack Madunic
Brinley Merino
Sapphire Pan
Charlotte Steele
Wyatt Tasko

Faye Traylen
Noah Ubeda Bosman
Isla Wall
Ella Zhou

erry Fox

24. It cost an arm and a leg
Very expensive.
Cold feet
Nervous.
26. Where's
57. The horse ha
barn.



GRADE TWO

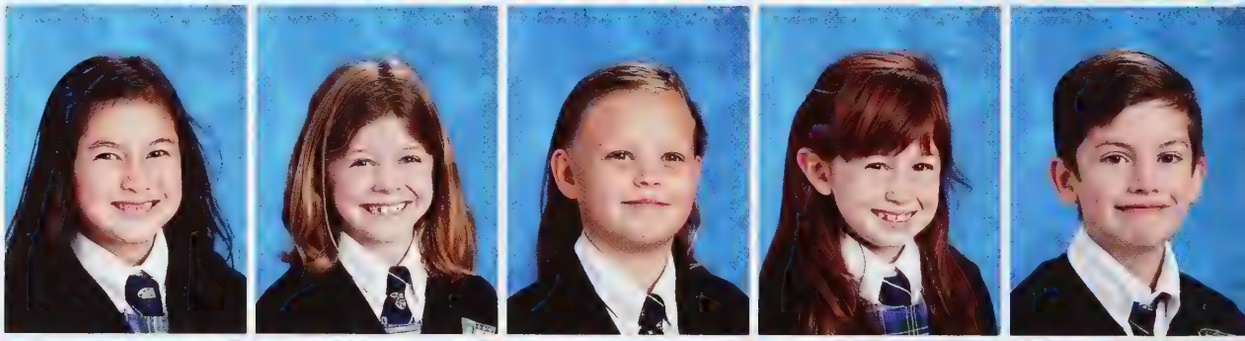
GRADE 3C

Heather Crossley

Shaan Arneja
Jada Baterina
Kayci Chan
Shae Curran
Gia Davey

Dillon Demeo
Nathan Gao
Blue Heal
James Larson
Ryder Martel

Rose Moss
Sophie Nielson
Grace Payette
Elora Putland
Tyler Saklas



Juliet Scott
Shayar Singal
Clay Swatland
Gabriella Ward
Wyatt Williams

GRADE 3P

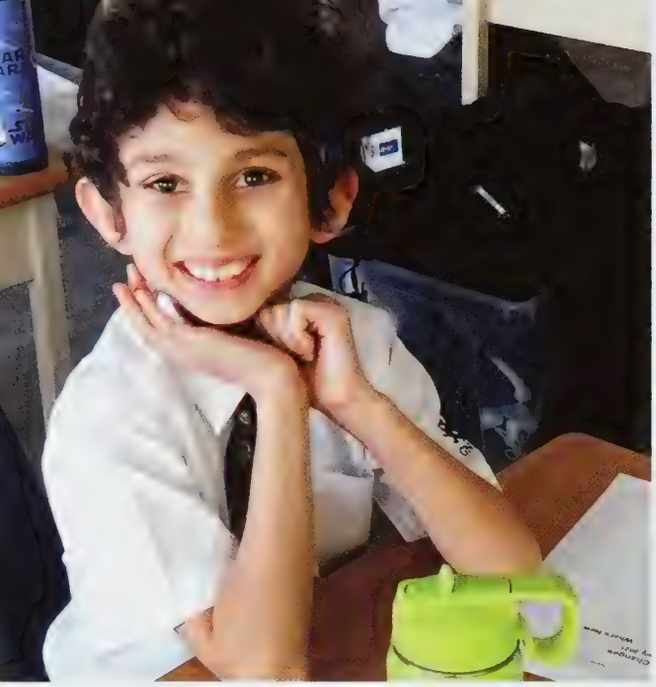
Cheryl Palm

Tory Algar
Elliott Barnes
Laird Bjornson
Elle Harrison
Miranda Hodgson

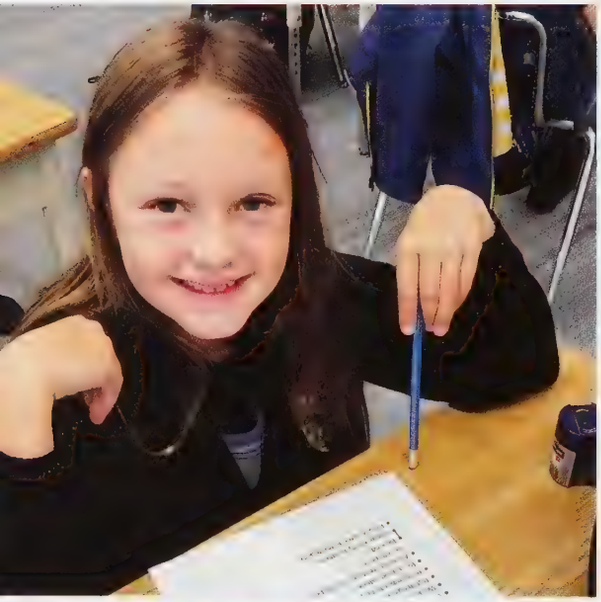
Ismail Khurram
Emma Kim
Daniel Lavrenyuk
Sailys Li
Jecca Menzies

Anika Pathak
Tejas Saibish
Addison Scott
Everly Shultz
Jake Spytz

Oliver Story
Leo Tiampo
Elliot Warder
Brooklyn Wright
Aimee Zhang



GRADE THREE



Roots

STICK DOG

GRADE 4M

Erin McCall

Isabella Barrie
Sophie Carrow
Oliver Crowe
Henry Dhrolia
Sebastian Divoky

Carlson Ertz
Xavier Huculak-Payne
Kamilah Kanji
Jojo Laing
Ainsley Pagett

James Shaw
Alex Shaw-Lewis
Camryn Sluggett
Michelle Sodnompil
Chloe Wang

Liam Wilkinson
Olive Winters
Ethan Zhang

GRADE 4S

Marnie Seliwoniuk

Sydney Bateman
Braylen Brooks
Lennon Coughlin
Thomas Dong
Jaxon Ewert

Eryn Gage
Khaila Kanji
Leo Lawson
Louis Lloyd-Kruger
Callan McCall

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Lucy Sutton
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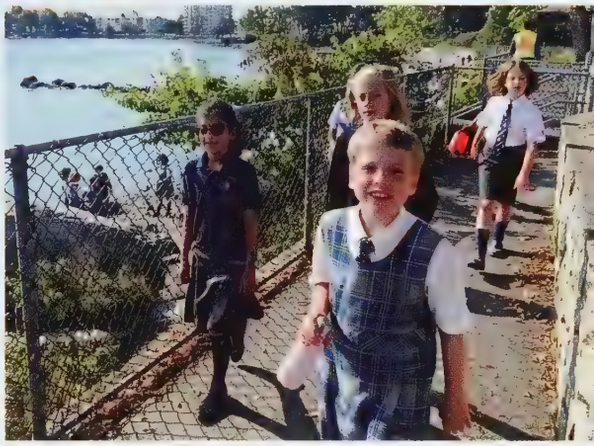
POLICE



GRADE FOUR

GRADE 5S

Rhonda Stark

Justin Adam
Maya Bellhouse
Leif Bergseth
Evan Burn
Riley Doerksen

Julian Erickson
Ryan Hassani
Anna Iqbal
Sarah Kim
Tristan Laing

Colette Lomnes
Luke Lund
Jeremy Maycock
Akaius Ritzer
Millie Rogers

Jane Serowka
Eliot Smith
Quinn Stamp-Vincent
Lucas Staniforth
Kiki Webb

Linnea Wolf
Felix Yun

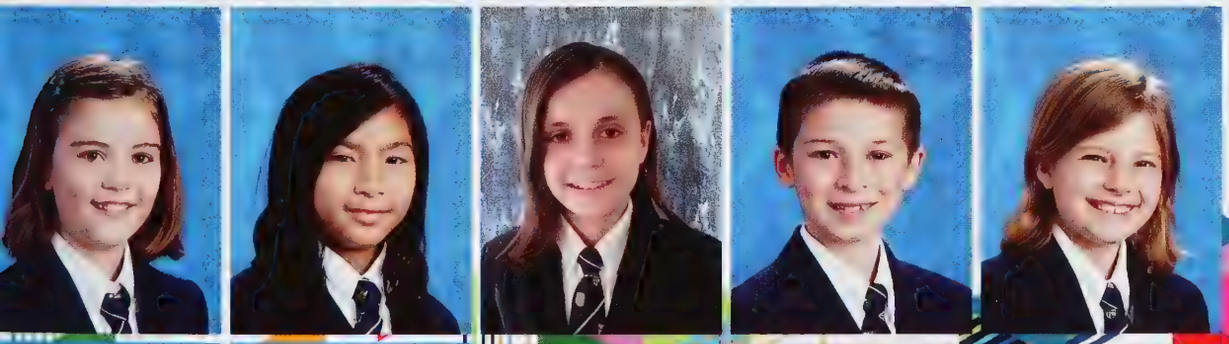
Sarah Wallace

GRADE 5W

Aeshan Bandechha
Victoria Bellhouse
Nathan Brooke
Isaac D'Angelo
Ethan Dallin

Francesco DeGenova
Marcos Esparza
Wynstan Hart
Andrew Holtum
Aapo Metso

Mia Nadra
Clarita Pelligra
Clara Rowand
Liam Scott
Tristan Staniforth

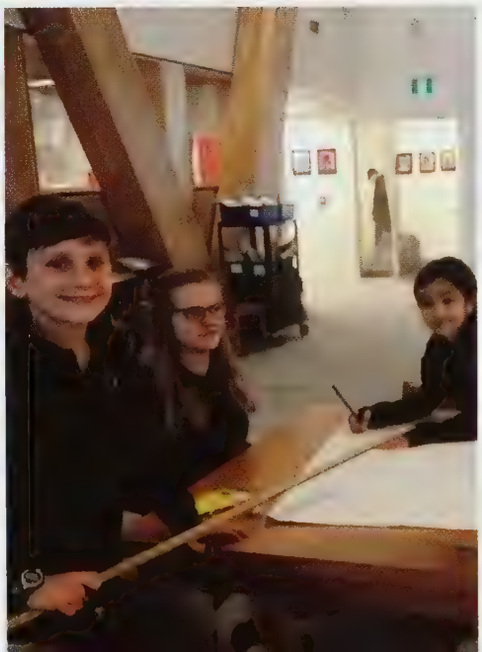


Adele Stohmann
Julia Toffoletto
Tess Traylen
Alexander Turner
Juno Williams

Benjamin Wood
Anne Yu

GRADE FIVE

millions
hundred thousands
tens



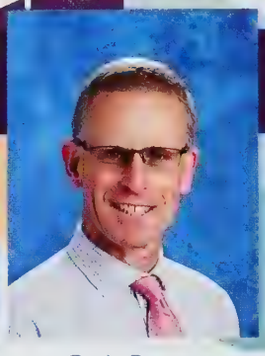
FACULTY AND STAFF

Meera Bandechha

Charles Bennett

Jean Bigelow

Aleesha Bird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Alison Bowles

Ianna Breese

Marina Bridal

Benjy Brooks

Heather Crossley

Susan Duffell-Warthe

Joanne Dunn

Megan Durovick

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Meghan Filgate

Kim Fisher

Nancy Fletcher

Conlan Flynn

Leanne Giommi

Jill Graham

Julie Jennings

Teresa Johnson

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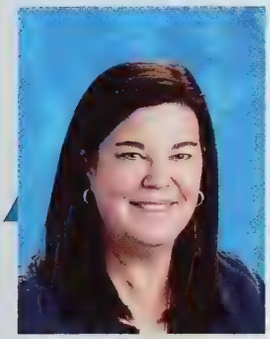
Judy Newman

Stephanie Novak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Katie Ramm

Tushar Razdan

Cindy Rogers

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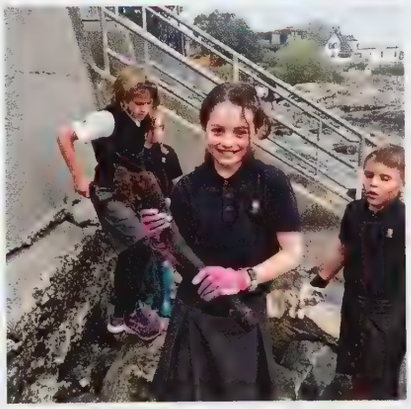
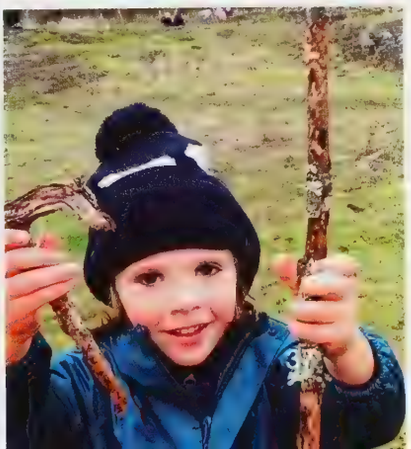
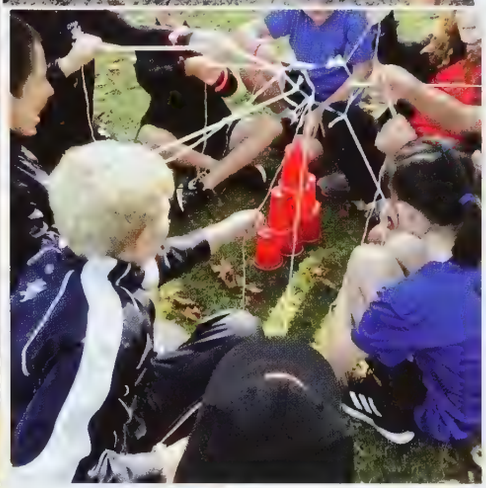
Kathryn Wild

FALL

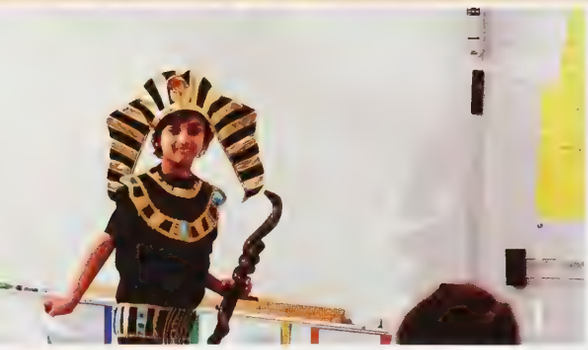


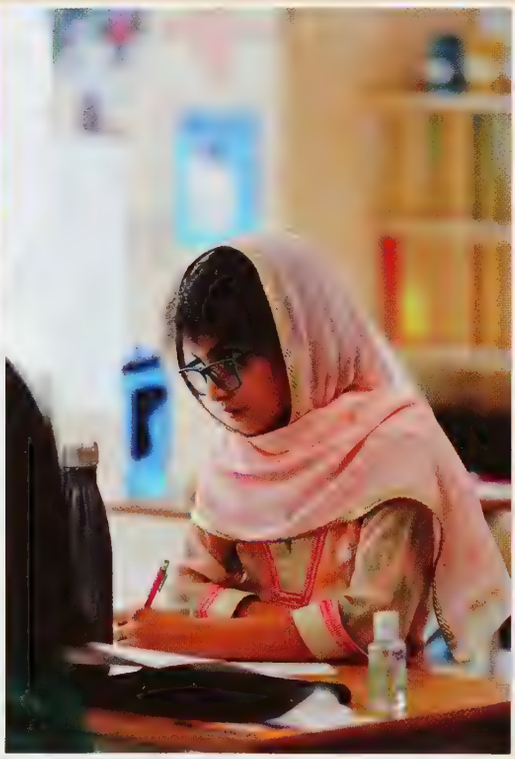


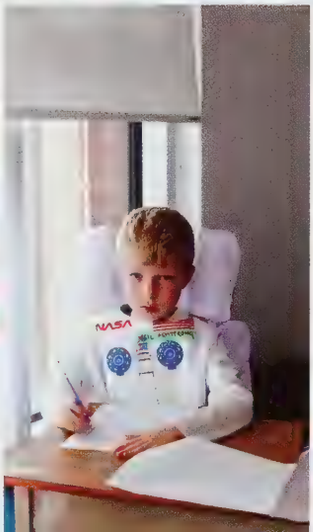


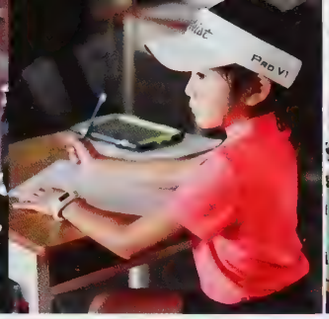
Grade 5
ACTIVITY DAYS

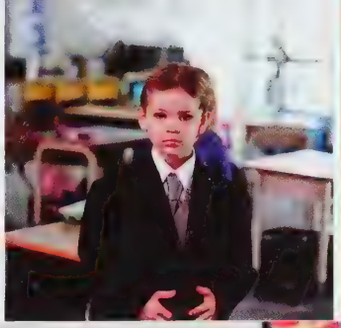
HISTORICAL HALLOWEEN

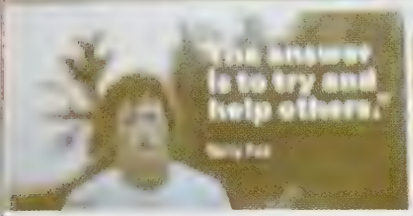











The answer
is to try and
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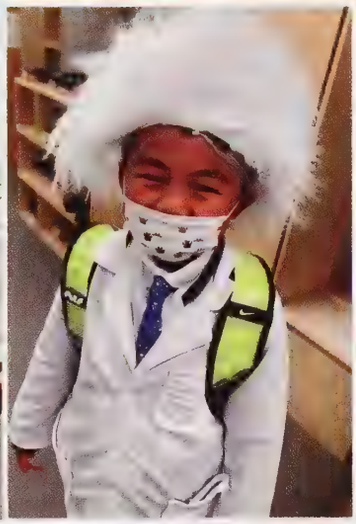
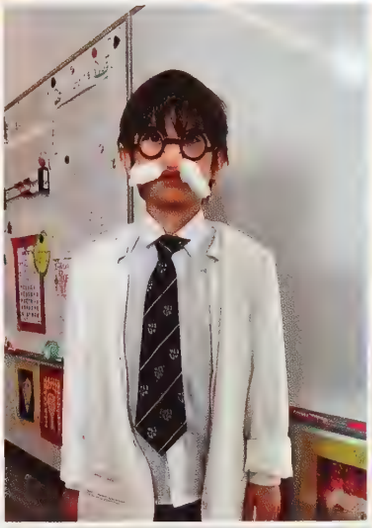

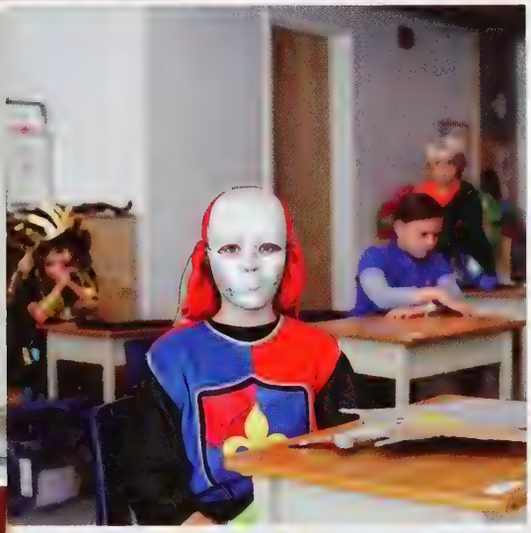

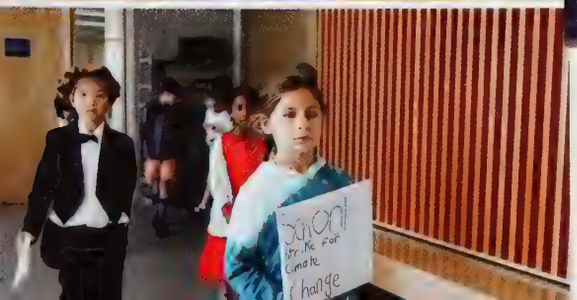

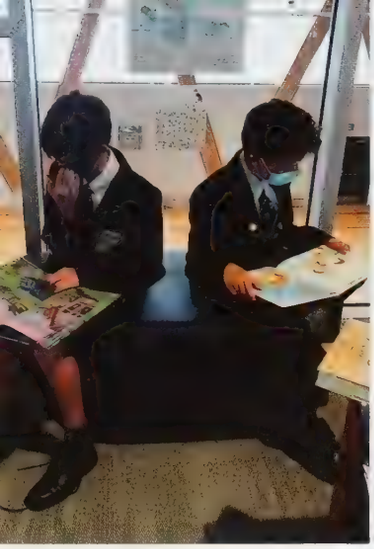

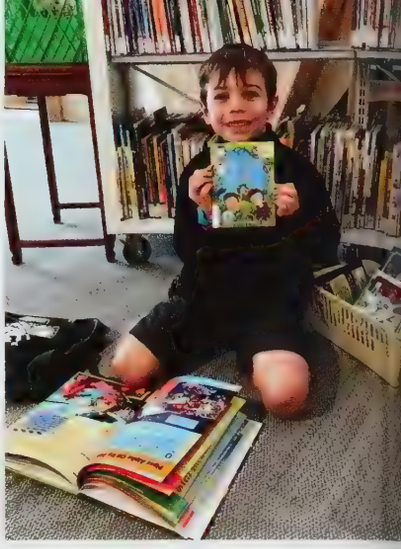

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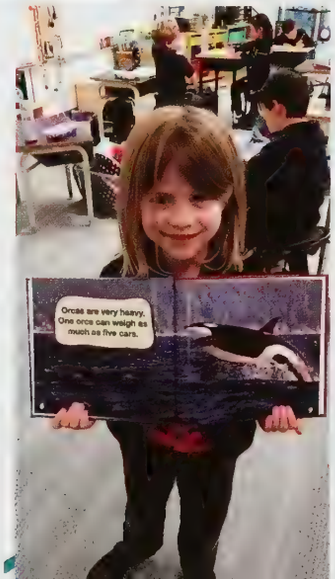

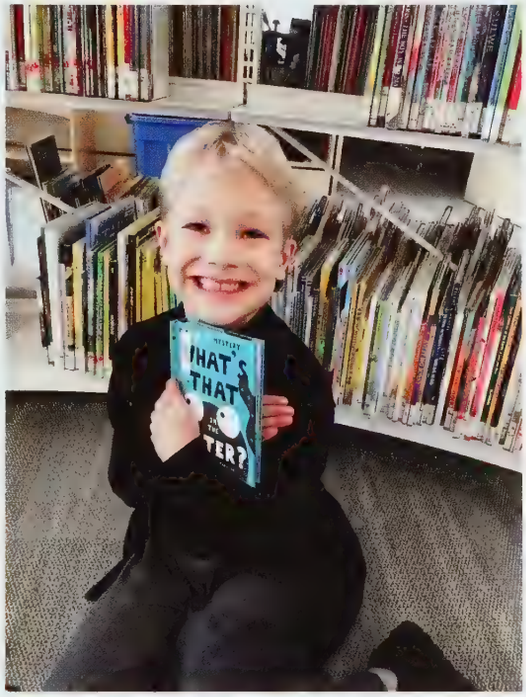
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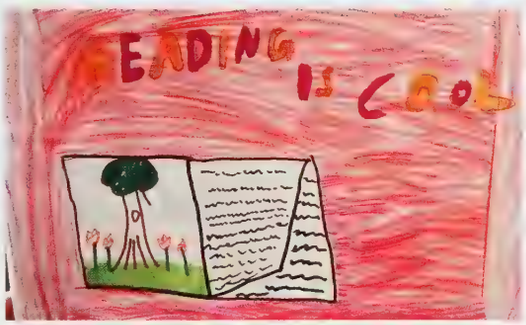
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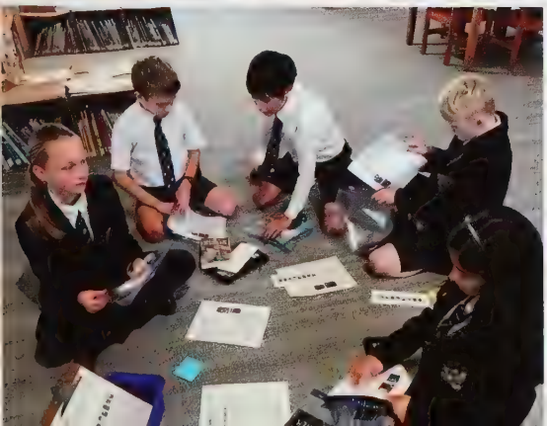

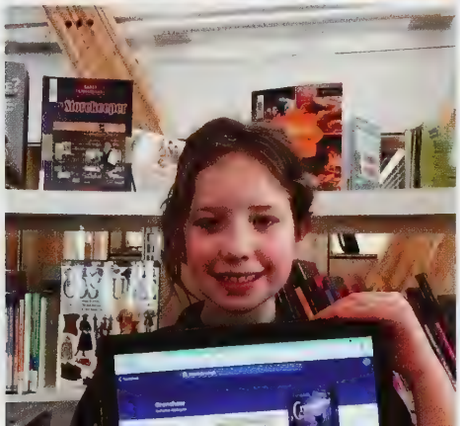

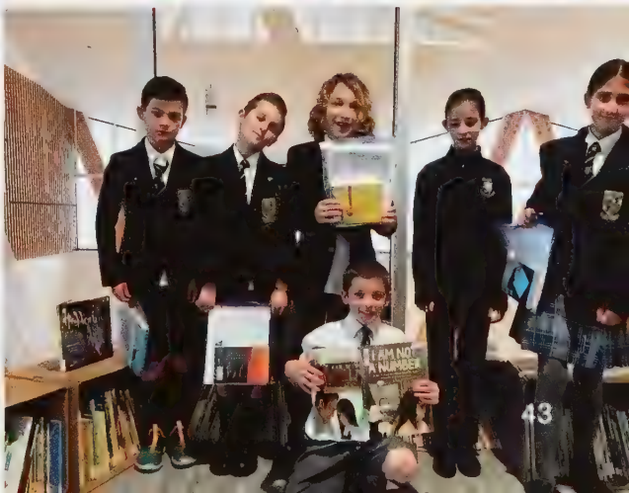

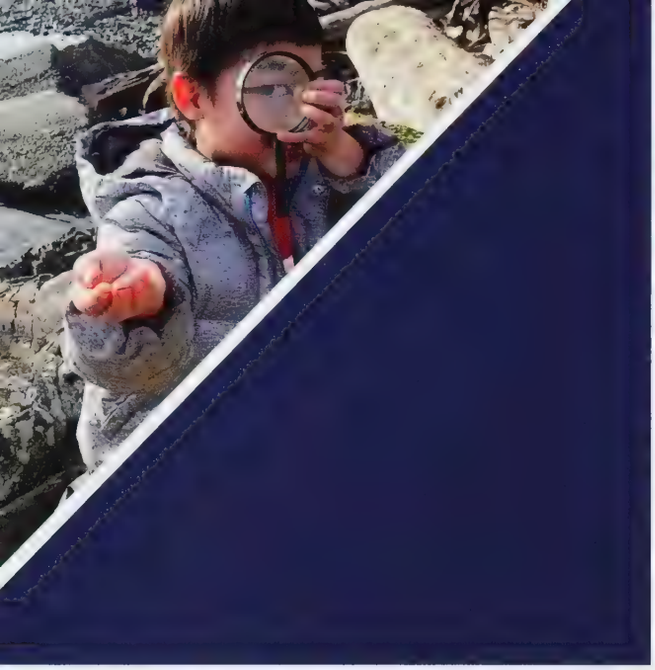

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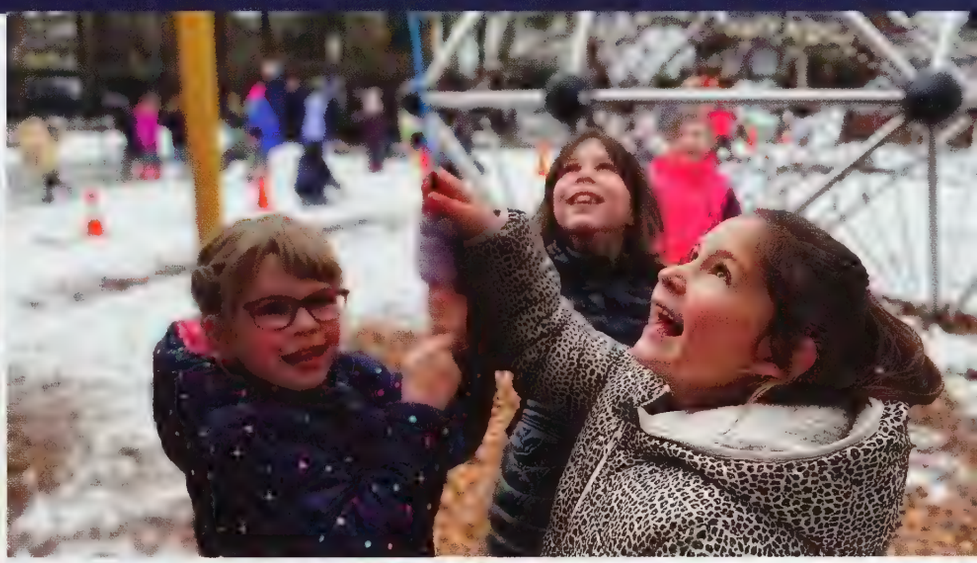

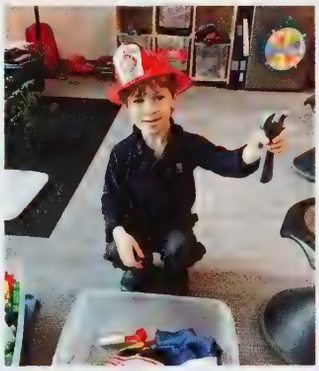

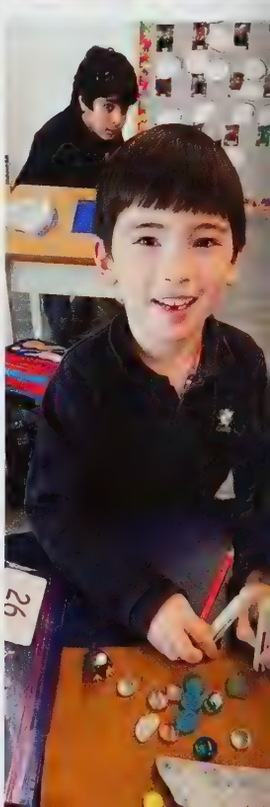

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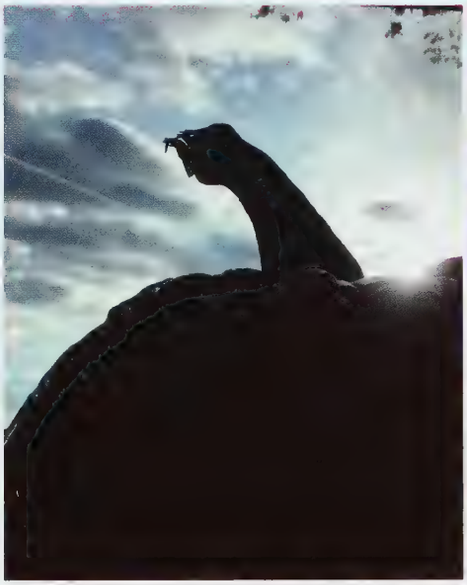

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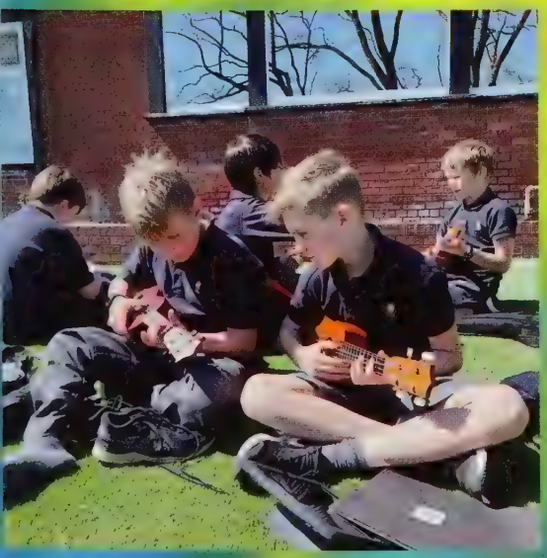

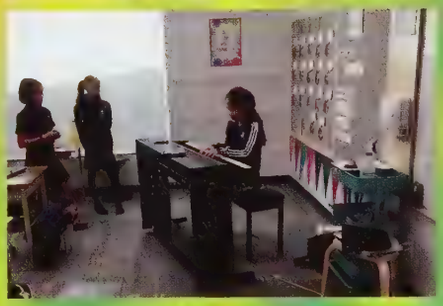

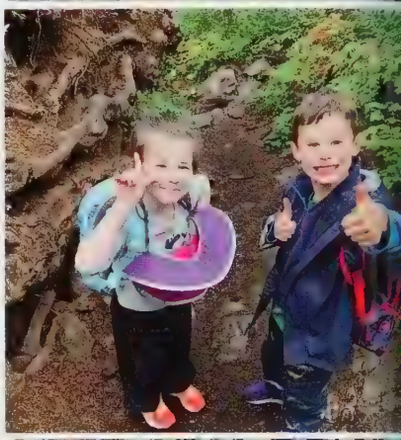

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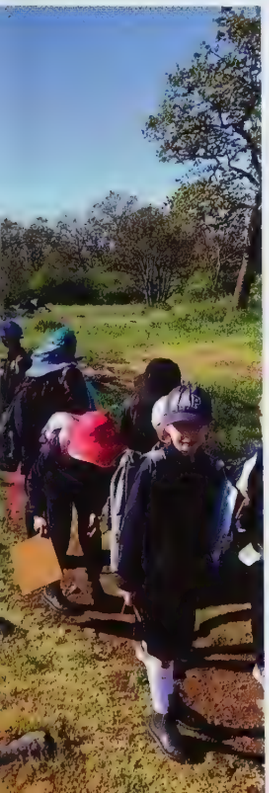

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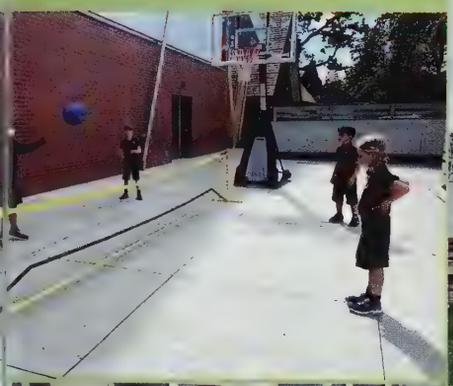

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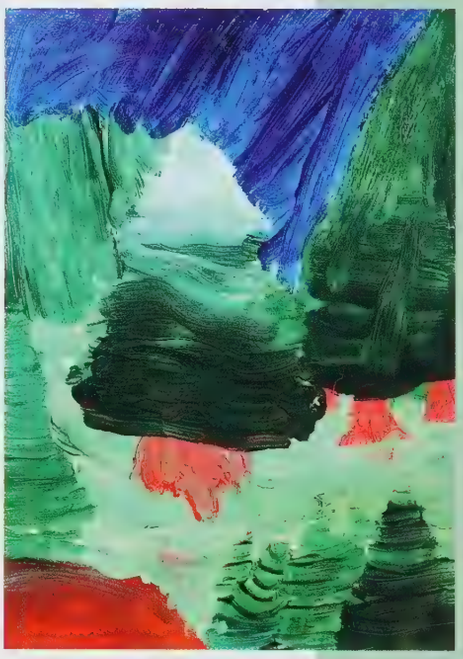

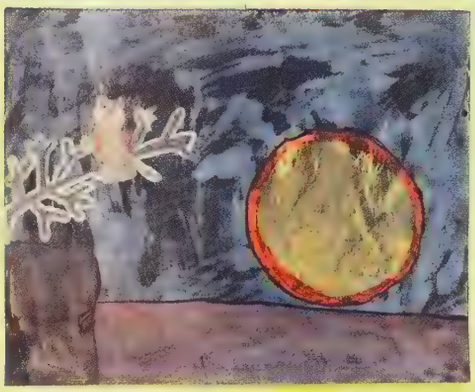

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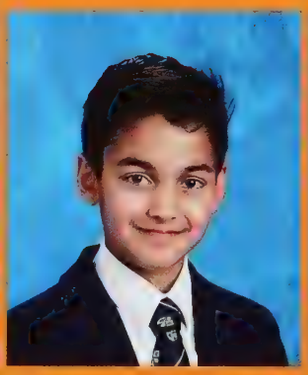
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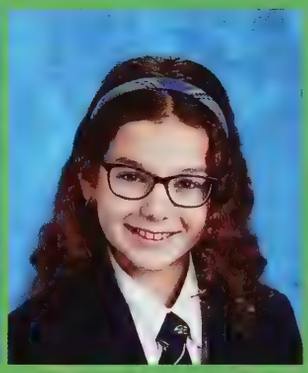
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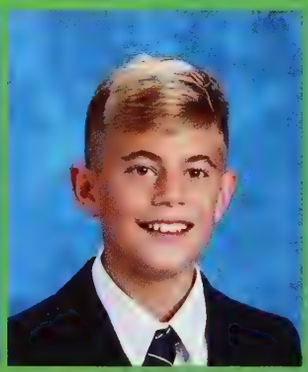
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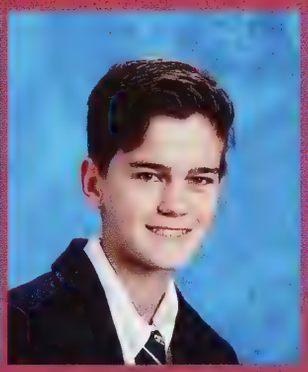
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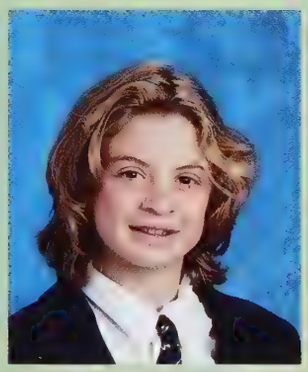
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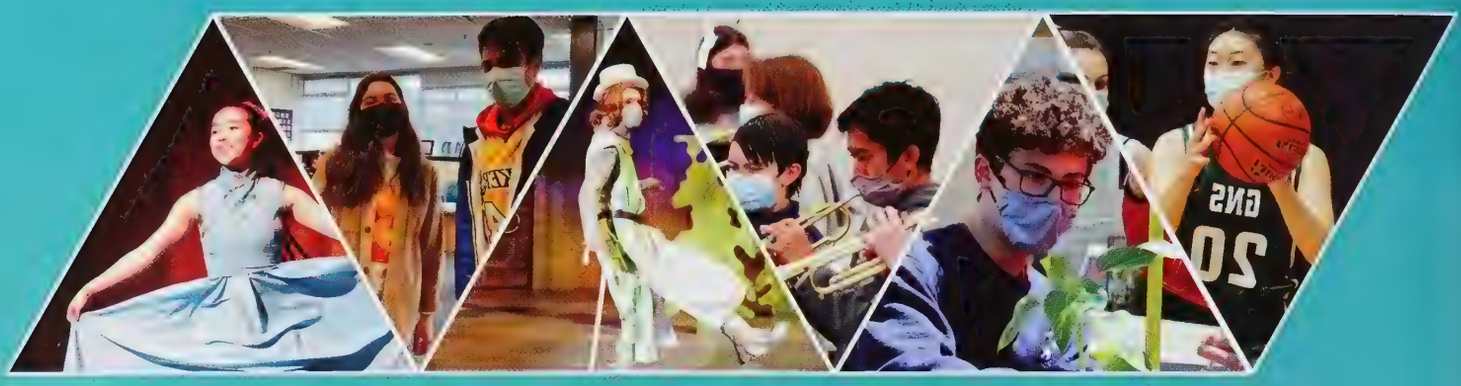

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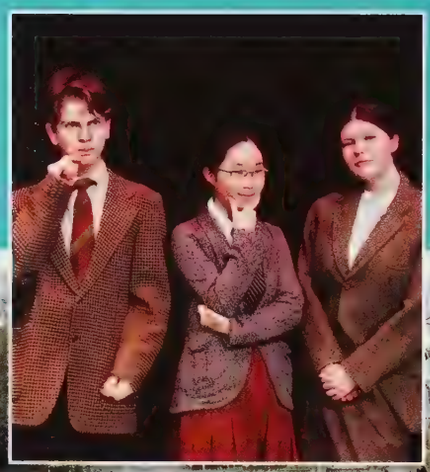

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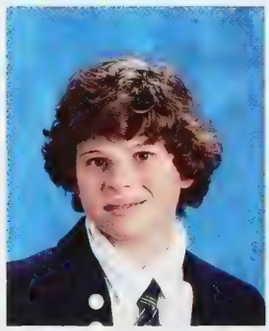
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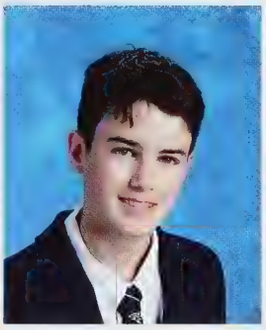
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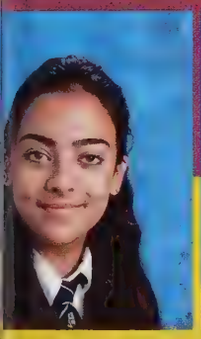
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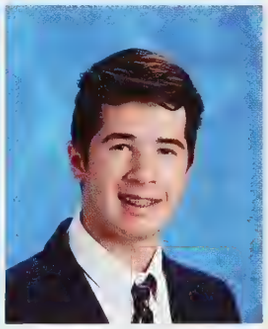
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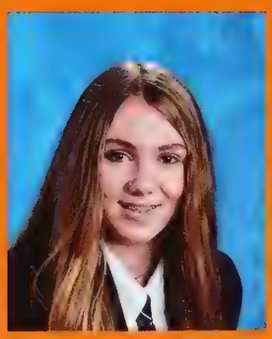
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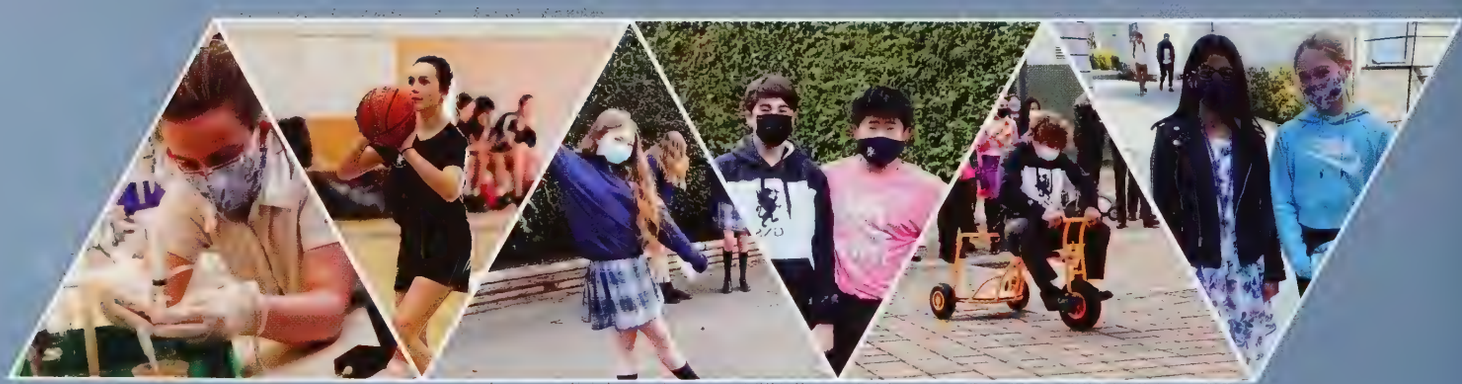

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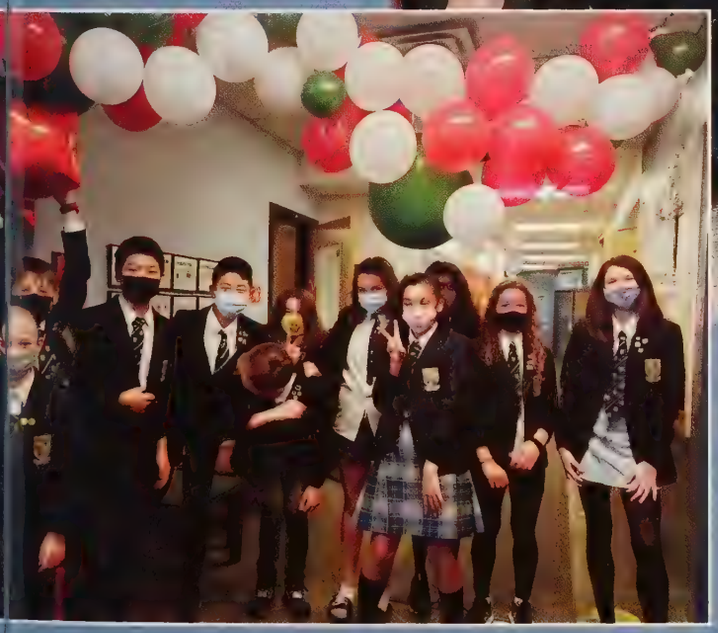
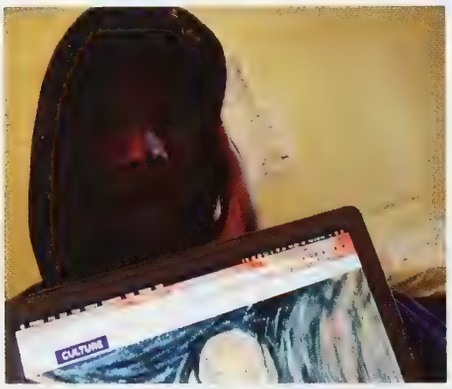


There was no shortage of challenges for international students to complete, learning how to spell GNS in sign language, building forts out of furniture in dorm rooms, making dioramas of famous landmarks using their dinner, and much more.



The six new students did get a special day after quarantine when Mr. Marthaller and Ms. Elbert took them on an in-person excursion around the city. They got to see Victoria, including touring around Songhees, the Inner Harbour, Fisherman's Wharf and Oak Bay Village. They ended their day with a celebratory wind-up pizza lunch back at school.

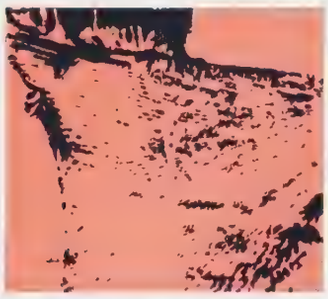
HeadStart

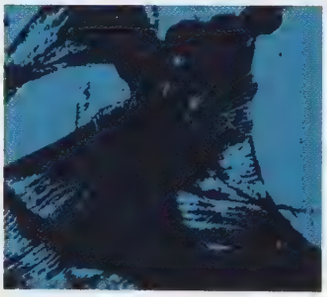
This year's HeadStart program was built around sets of missions/challenges for the students to complete while in quarantine.

HeadStart 2020 may have looked quite different this year, but that didn't stop the fun. The HeadStart Program introduces new international students to life at Glenlyon Norfolk School and helps them understand what to expect as the newest members of our unique and vibrant community.

Not only were the students able to stay busy, but they also had guest speakers who dropped in to talk about all things related to the coming school year, covering topics such as service, co-curricular activities, the IB Diploma Programme and Learning Commons resources.

Grade 6 EGG DROP





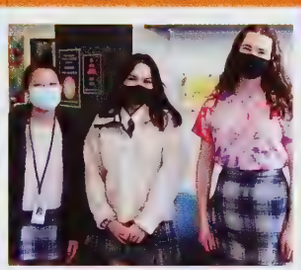
Making Memories in Middle School

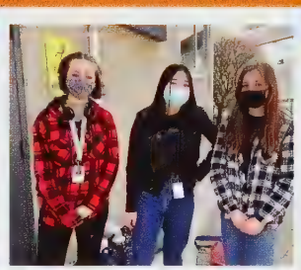
Hue Are You?

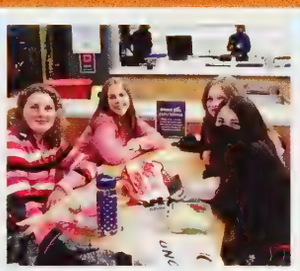
Grade 10

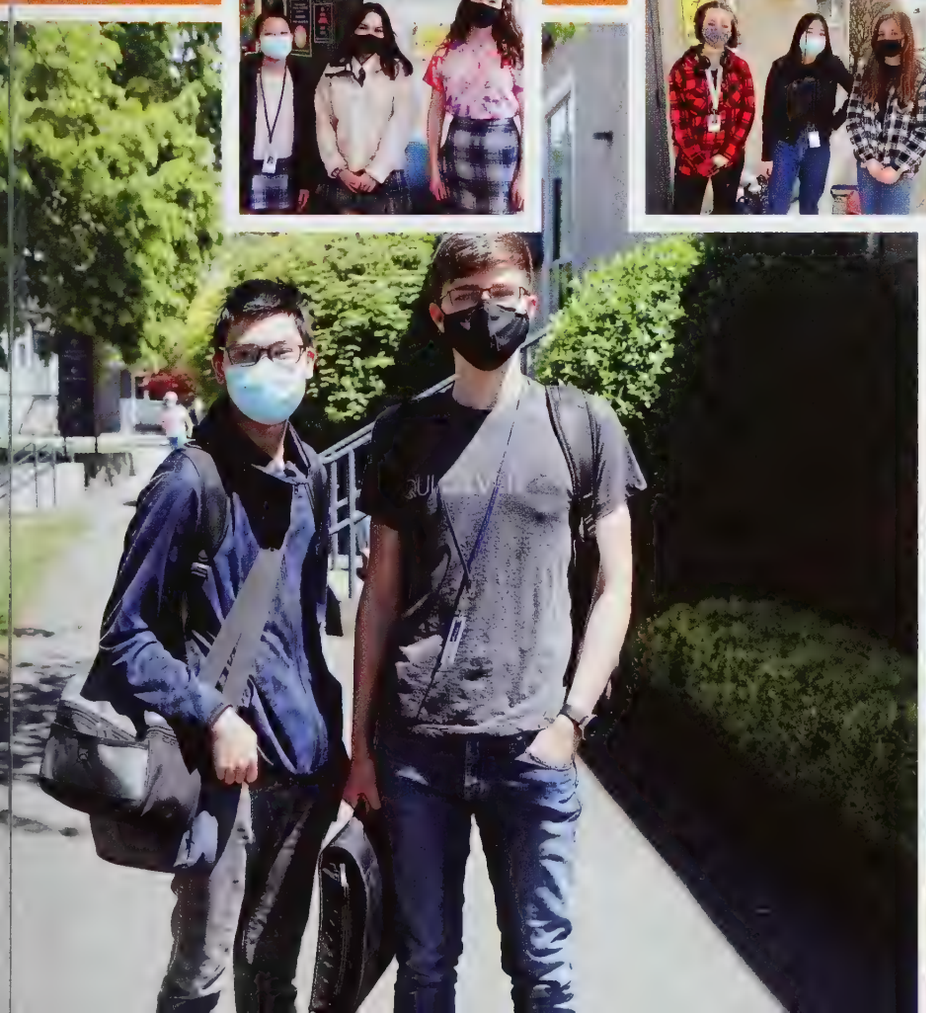
IB Visual Arts 10 students started off the year by asking "Hue are you?" To start, the Grade 10s explored their favourite colours by mixing acrylic paint to make colour swatches. Using their drawings and colours, students completed the activity by creating a playful kaleidoscope that revealed aspects of their identities.

Out *and* About









SENIOR SCHOOL PREFECTS

ALEX FINN

I ran for a Prefect position because I thought that Service Prefect is an important role in helping everyone in finding meaningful and enjoyable ways to connect and spend the rare time that isn't devoted to academics.

ERICA PATRICK

I decided to run for a position because I wanted to be more involved in the school community. I also think it's a great opportunity to practice leadership skills, and to connect with my peers over a subject I'm passionate about (art).

IAN FERGUSON

We have a lot of challenges this year, but for all the external challenges we need to keep challenging ourselves—we need to keep pushing ourselves and each other. I figure I'm a guy who can do that.

BROOKE TAYLOR

I decided to run for this position because I love sports and competition. I wanted to create fun opportunities for members of GNS to play and compete in, despite the challenges we may face with COVID-19.

AVA DRYDEN

HEAD PREFECT

I decided to run for the Head Prefect because of the exciting opportunity to make a positive change in my school community and do my best to make this year amazing for everyeveryone!

CORIN WALLACE

HEAD PREFECT

When I was considering whether I should run or not, I thought back to watching Angus, Tori and the rest of the prefect team when I was in Grade 9. I decided I wanted to make a positive impact like they had on me.

GABBY MACPHERSON

VICE CAPTAIN

I have been at GNS my whole life and have always wanted to give back to the community. I was a tour guide all through Middle and Senior School and loved getting to show off the wonderful parts of our school.

HANNAH YIN

CULTURAL PREFECT

I decided to run for cultural prefect because I really enjoy organizing and planning. I'm also quite fascinated about different cultures and how that influences each of our perspectives.

MARISA SMITH

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVOCATE PREFECT

I ran for a Perfect position because I was interested in advocating more GNS involvement in the environment and continuing the work of the past environmental prefects.

MORGAN MACDONALD

GRADUATION

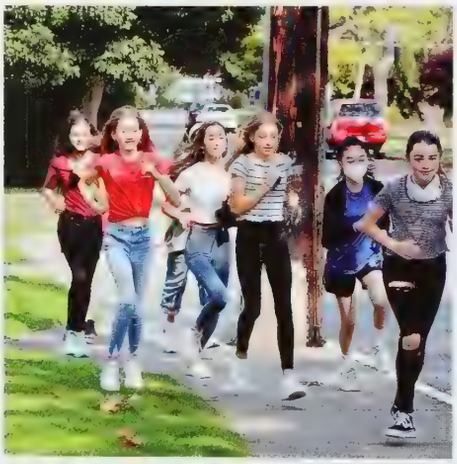
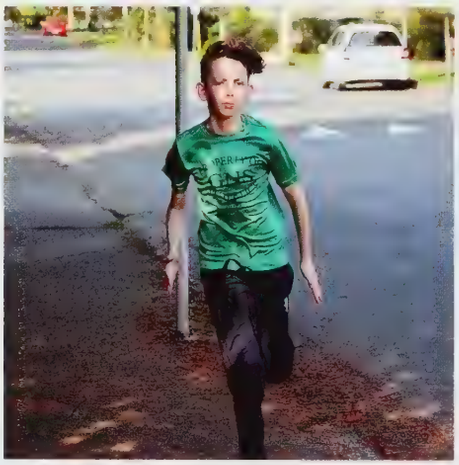
I decided to run for Grad Prefect because I think I'm very organized and good at getting things planned out, plus I've always loved planning events! I'm also a very creative person, so I thought my skills would apply well to the position.

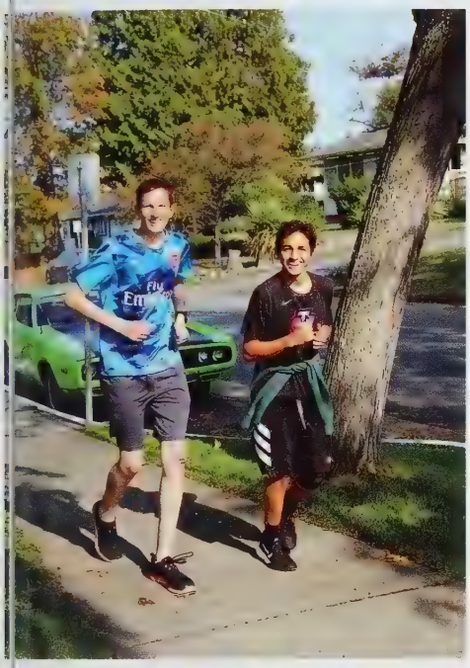
SOPHIE VAN CUYLENBORG

SAC PREFECT

I ran for a Prefect position because it's a perfect opportunity to be able to make a positive change in my school community and continue to make GNS a place for everyone.

Terry Fox Run



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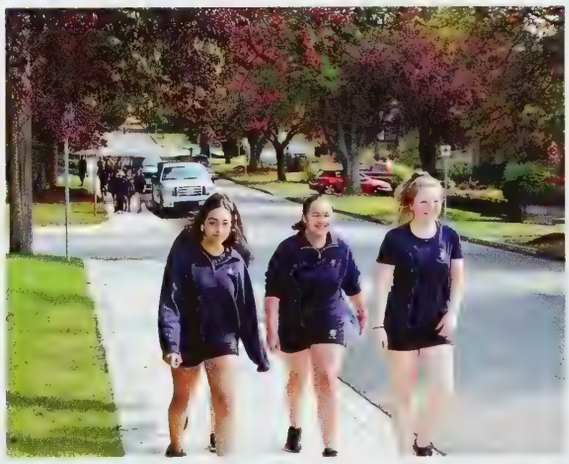
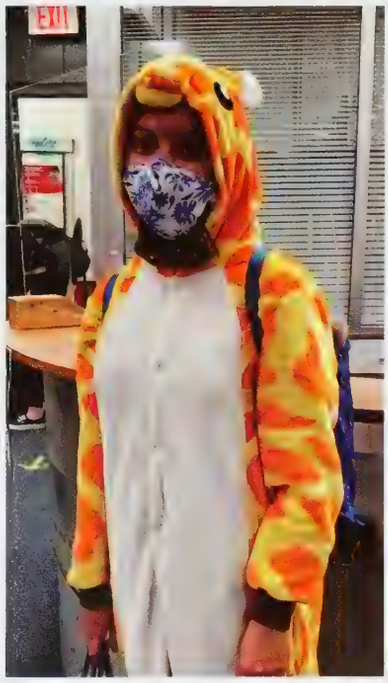


Senior Field Hockey



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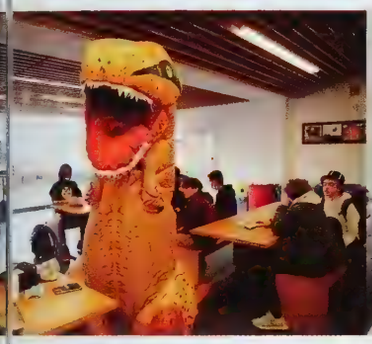

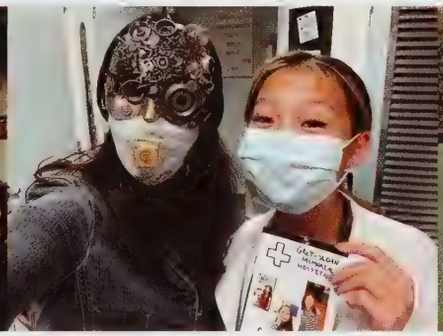

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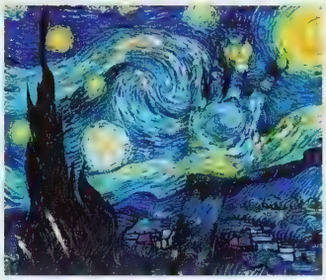
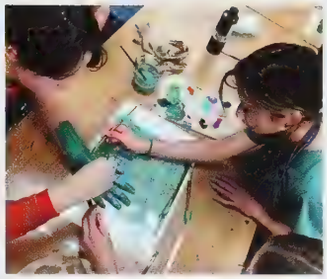
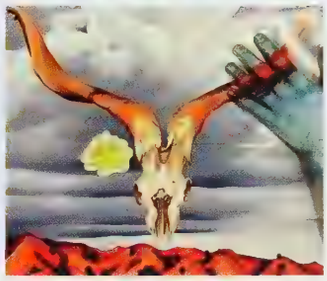
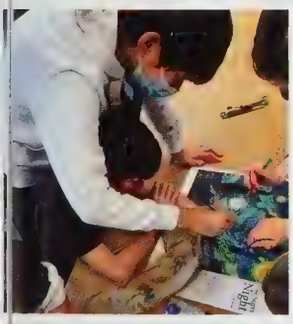
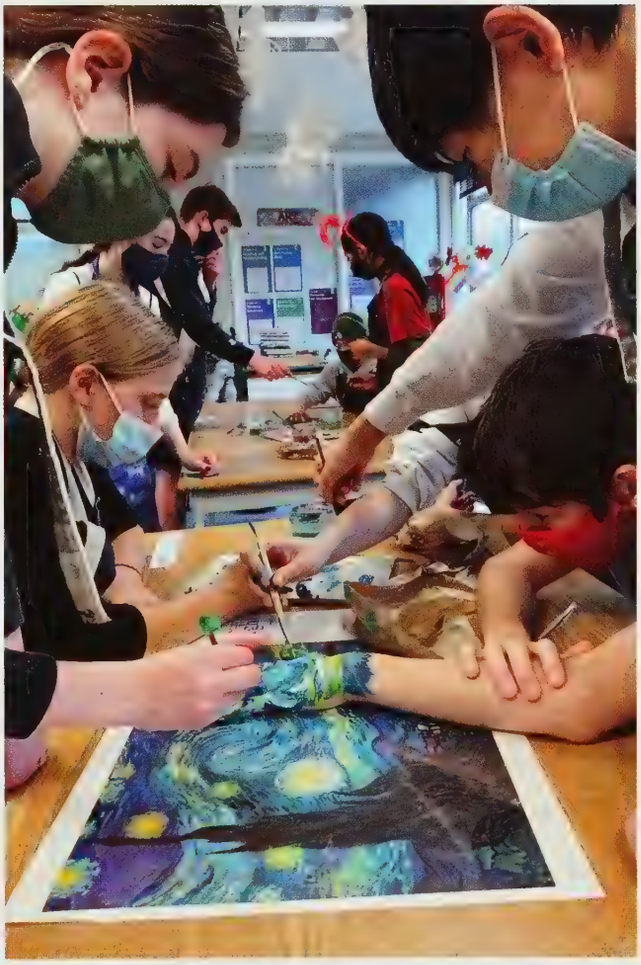


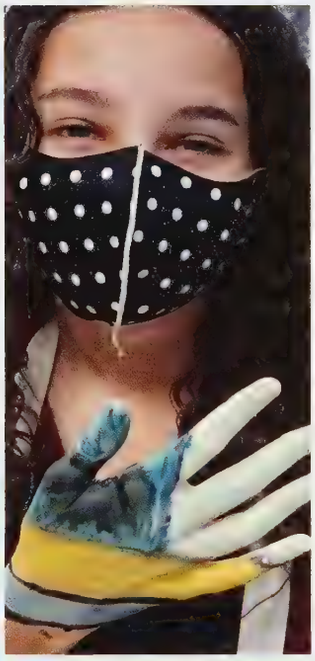




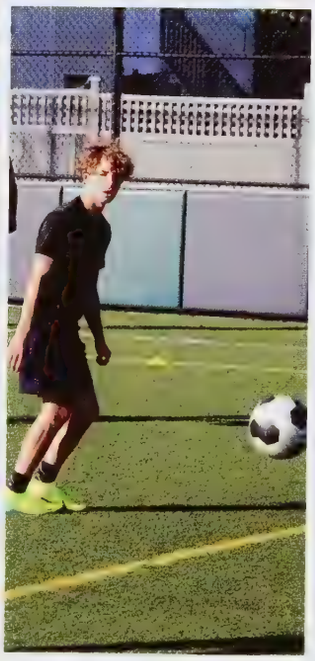
Grade 8 CAMOUFLAGE ART







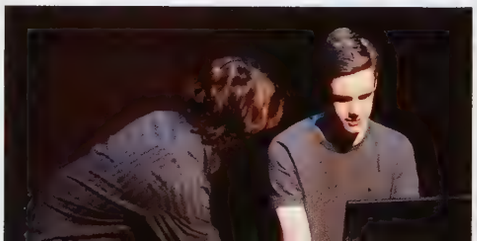
Senior Boys Soccer



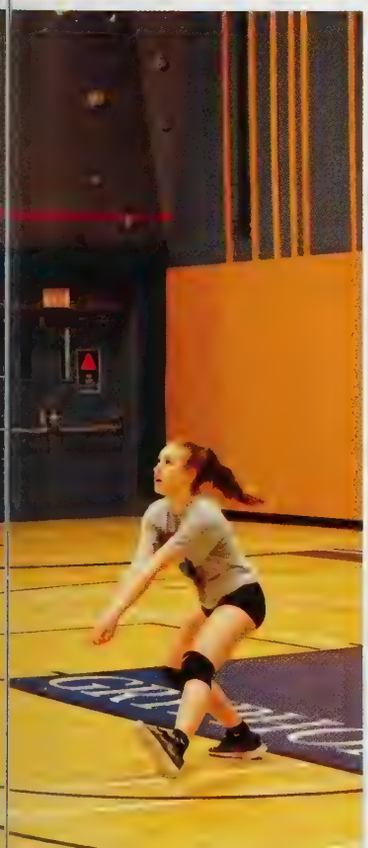
Senior Girls Soccer

LOVE & INFORMATION

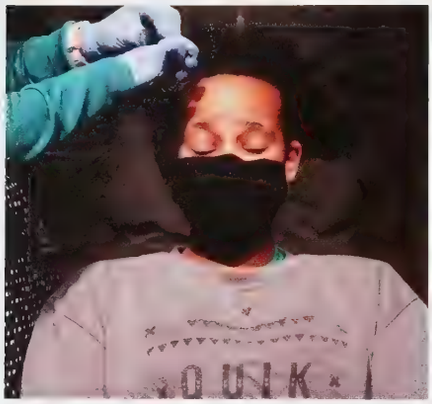
Senior School students worked hard to put together the Fall play, *Love and Information* by Caryl Churchill, a compilation of several unrelated scenes that range in length. The play quite unique as all the scenes are all disconnected, and there are many different characte throughout the play.



Senior School Volleyball



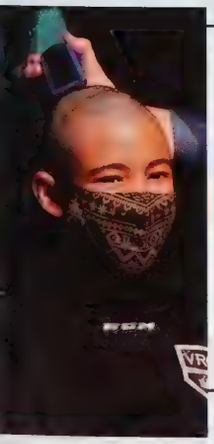
The initiative was led by Grade 8 Young Round Square participants Zoe Carroll, Sean Dallin, Emily MacMillan and Madeleine Anctil who worked for a month to promote the event as they raised awareness and funds for cancer research.

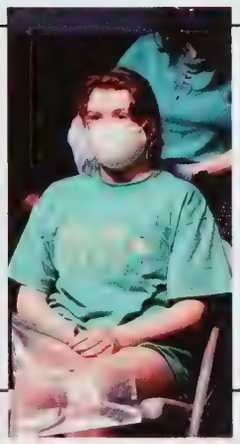


Their goal for the fundraiser was $10,000, which they quickly surpassed. One Grade 6 homeform raised $10,000 single handedly. As well, teachers got involved to show their support and had their hair cut or shaved off, including Mr.. Henry, Mr. Brice, Ms. Chaval, Ms. Coll, Ms. Kao and Mr. Pimlott, as well as Ms. Waugh and Ms. Wilson who cut their hair to help kick off the event in late October.

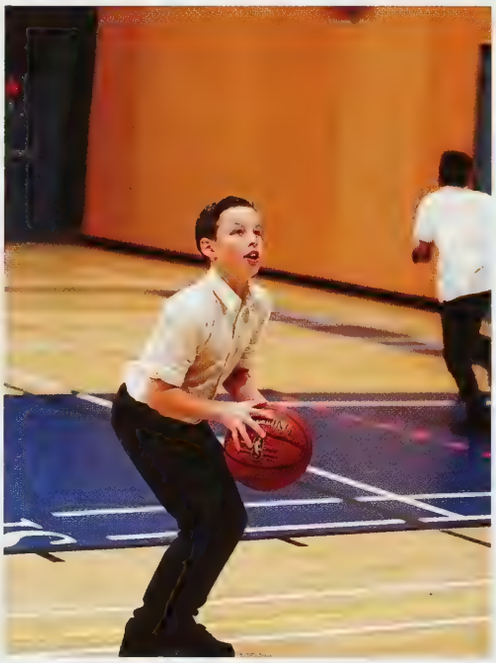
Young Round Square

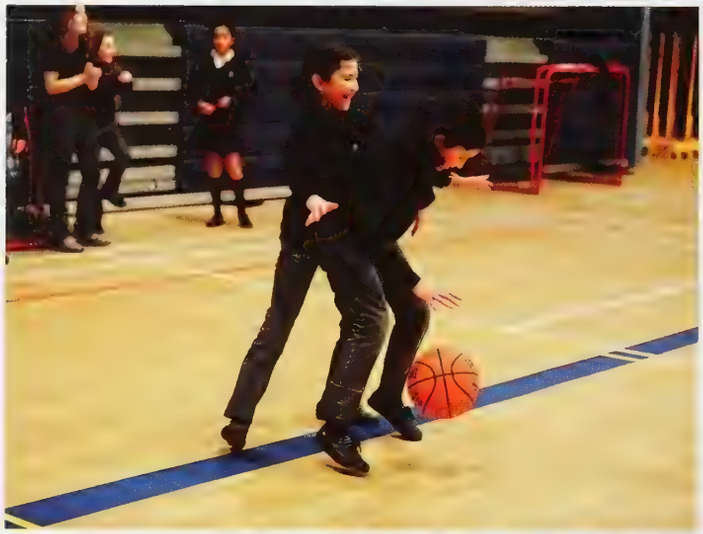
The Middle School community raised $30,642 for the BC Cancer Foundation through a haircut/shave fundraiser! Along with funds raised, any hair that was cut off and met the criteria was donated to Wigs for Kids BC.

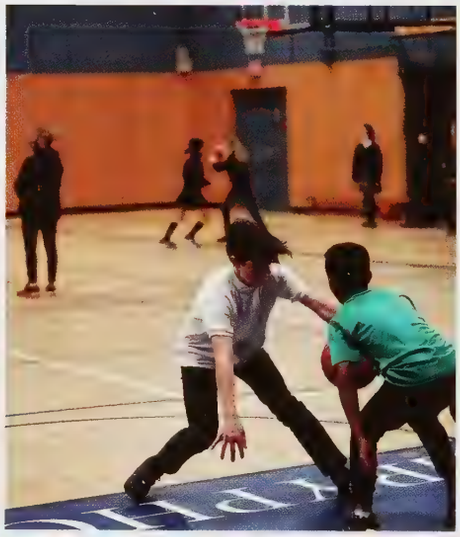




Grade 6 BASKETBALL







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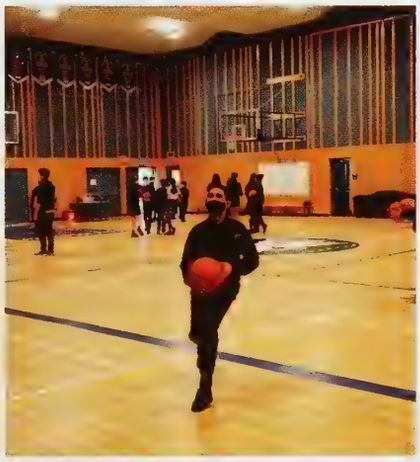
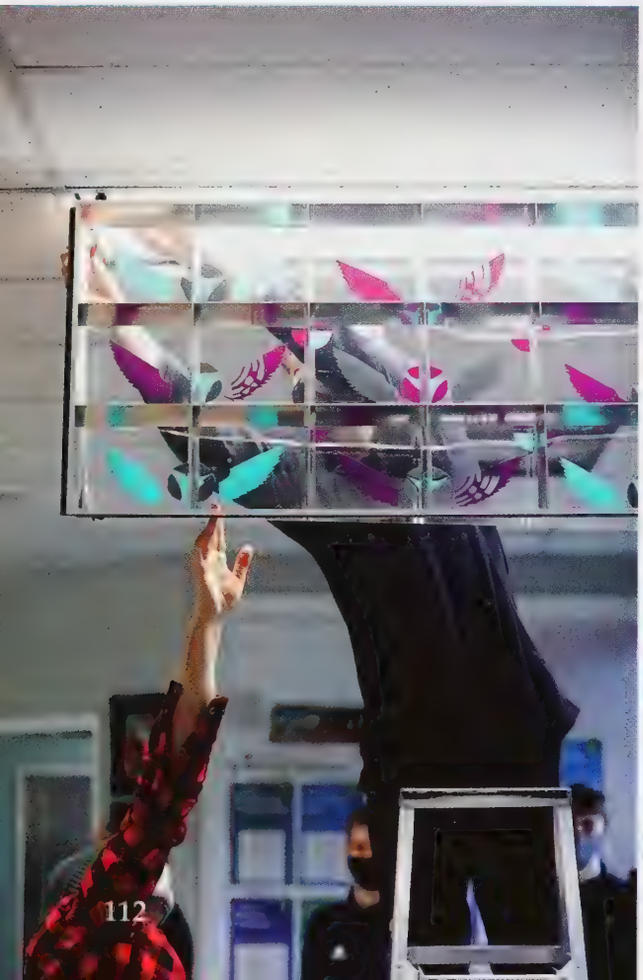
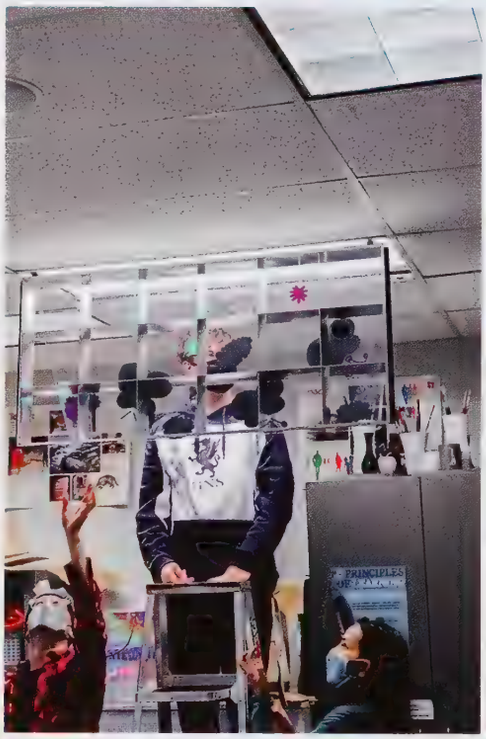


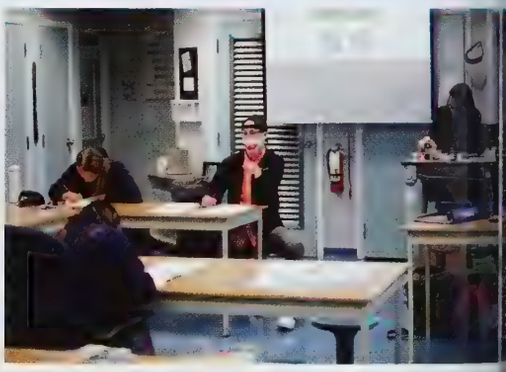
Grade 8 BASKETBALL

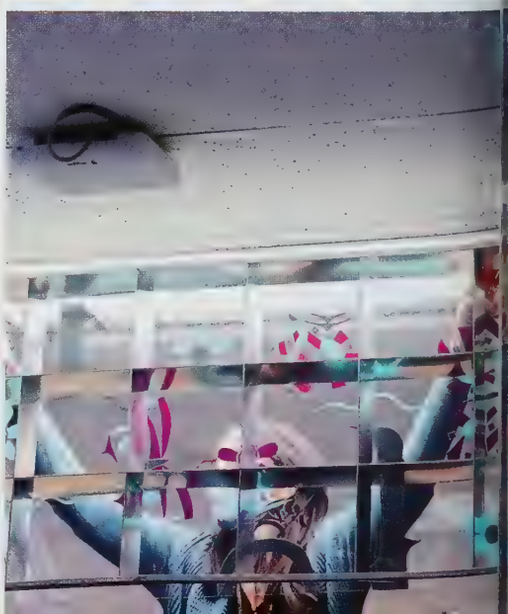
ILLUMINATIONS

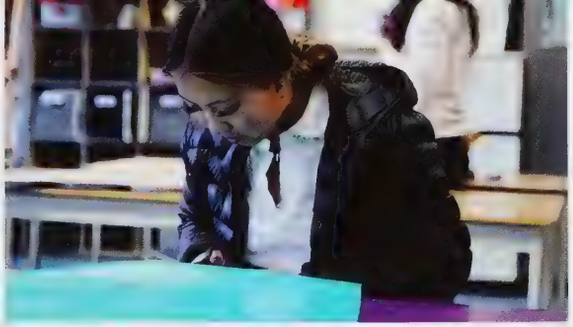
Studio Art 11 and 12 students created illuminations that were installed in the art classroom. However, before they started, they had a special visit from Namgis First Nations artist Jamin Zuroski, who helped the students create their designs and tell their individual stories through the illuminations.

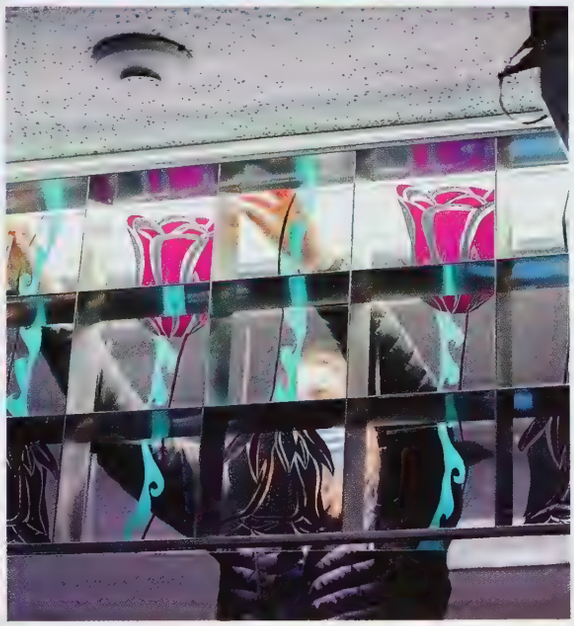




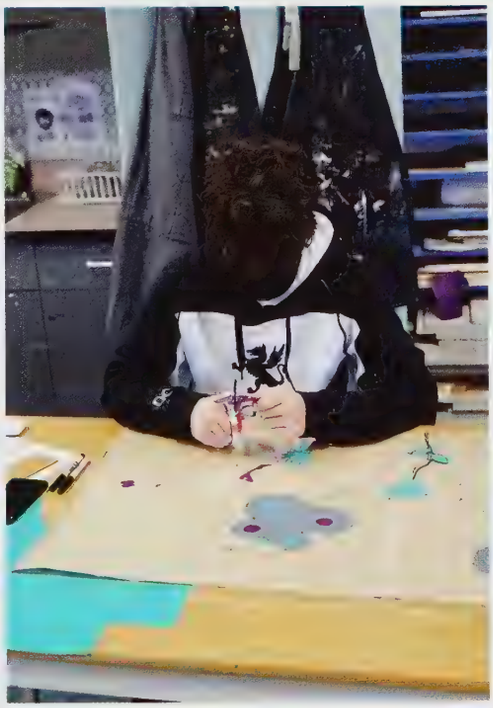


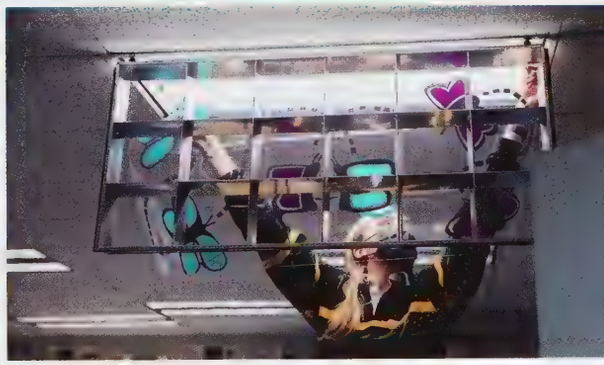


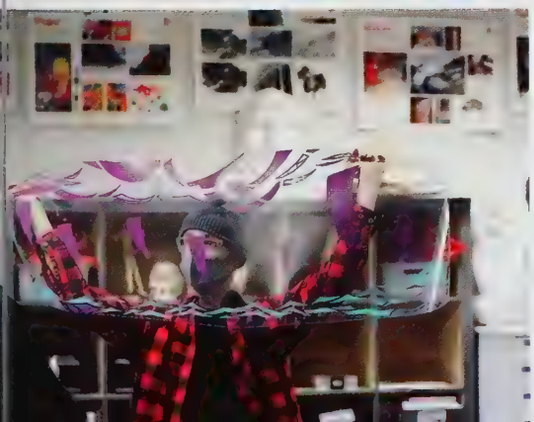


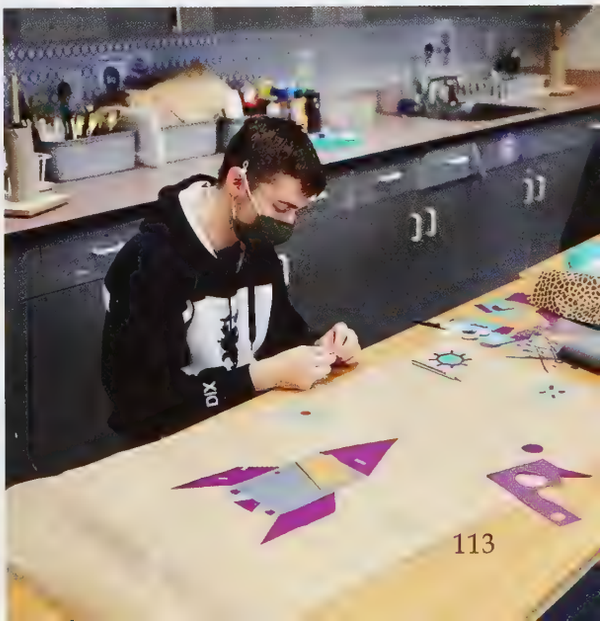


uroski has been practicing and working with a variety of artists, community members, ganizations, schools, Friendship Centres and governments on different cultural projects and itiatives. He's worked with many mediums like cedar wood carving, cedar and glass ndblasting, mural painting, canvas painting, and Indigenous Illuminations.



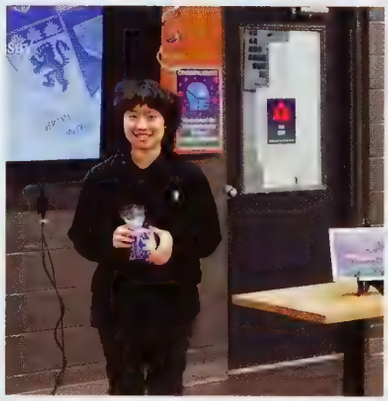


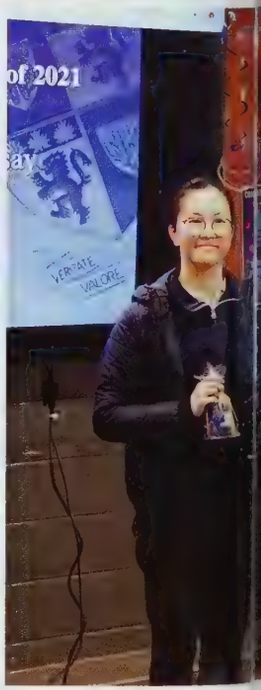


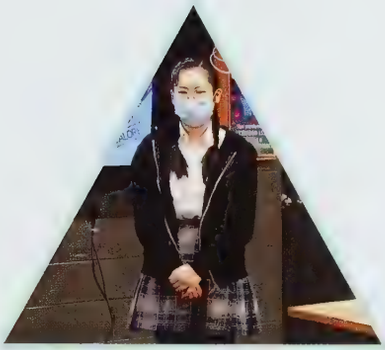


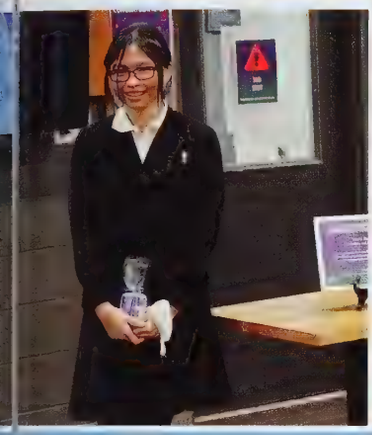
Grade 12 IB Diploma candidate students celebrated the completion of their IB Extended Essays on January 21. Each essay is an independent 4000-word research paper that students begin in May of Grade 11 and complete by mid-October of Grade 12.

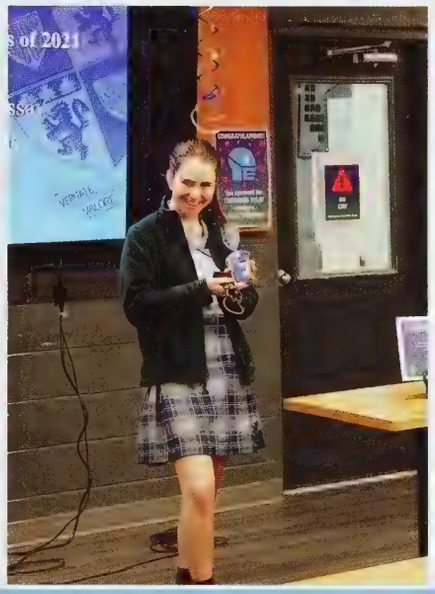
There were 30 different essays written, on topics like English, Global Politics, Geography, World Studies, Economics, Biology, Physics, History, Chemistry, and Mathematics.

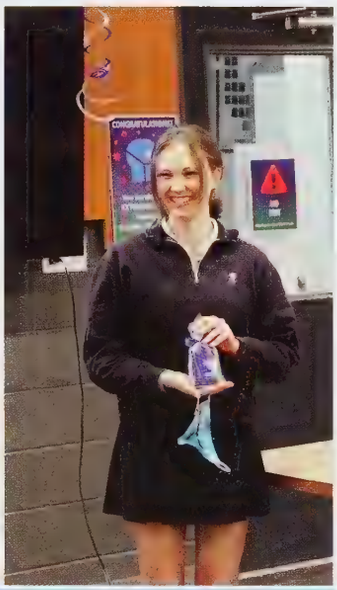












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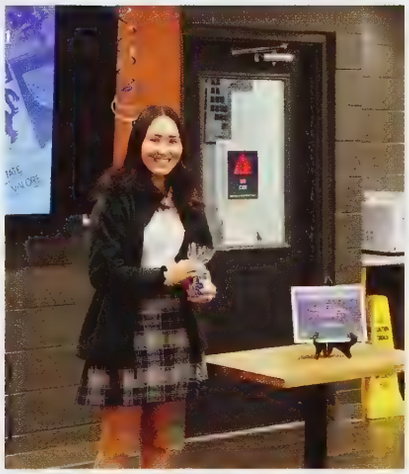

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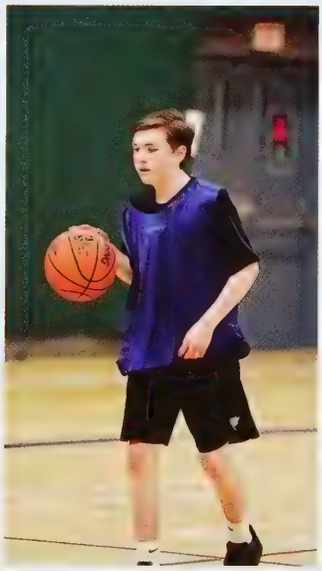

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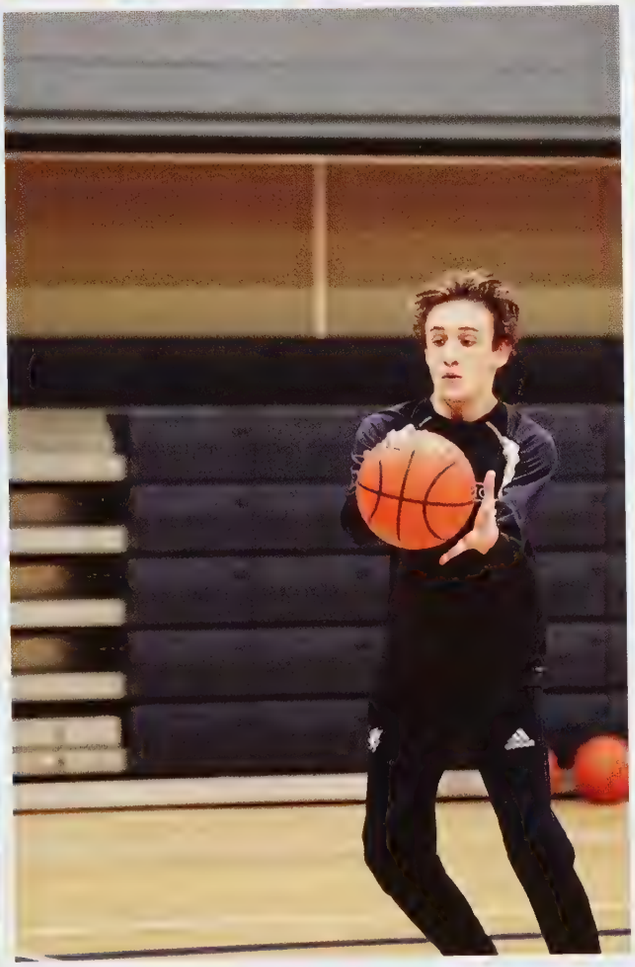
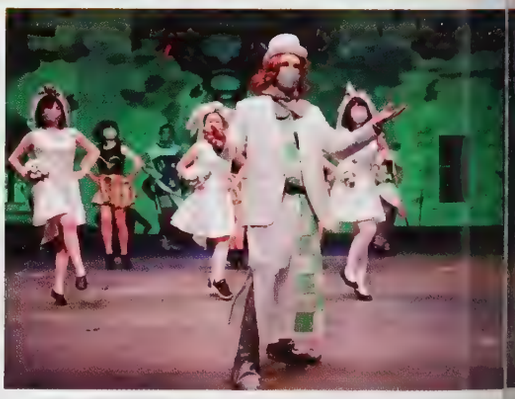
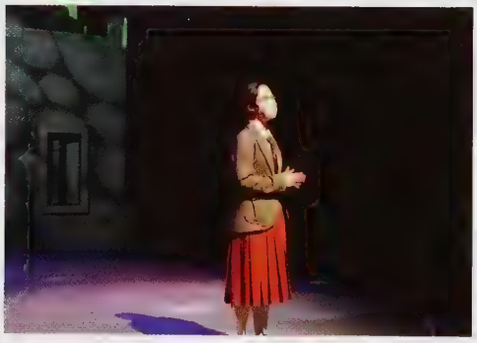


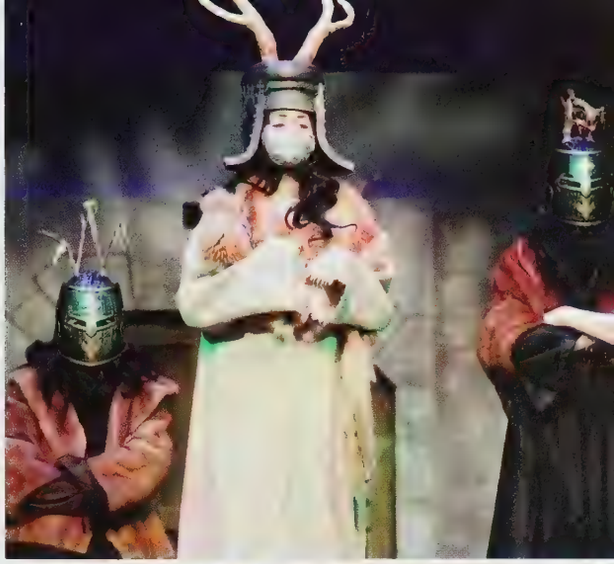
Grade 9/10 Girls Basketball

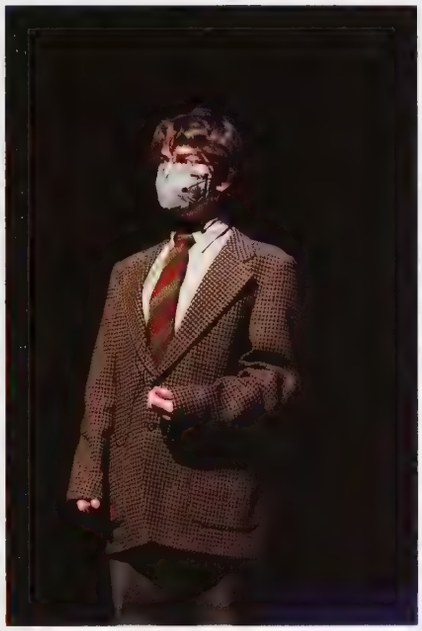
Spamalot

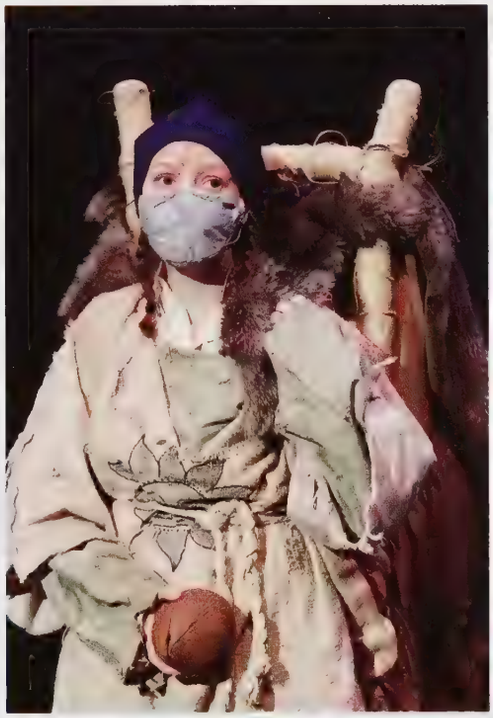
The tale of King Arthur and his Knights of the Round Table as they embark on their epic quest to seek the Holy Grail. Audience members were dazzled by the Lady of the Lady, and enchanted by the Angel, while enjoying brilliant performances by cows, a killer rabbit, and French people.











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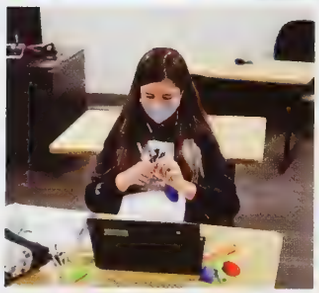

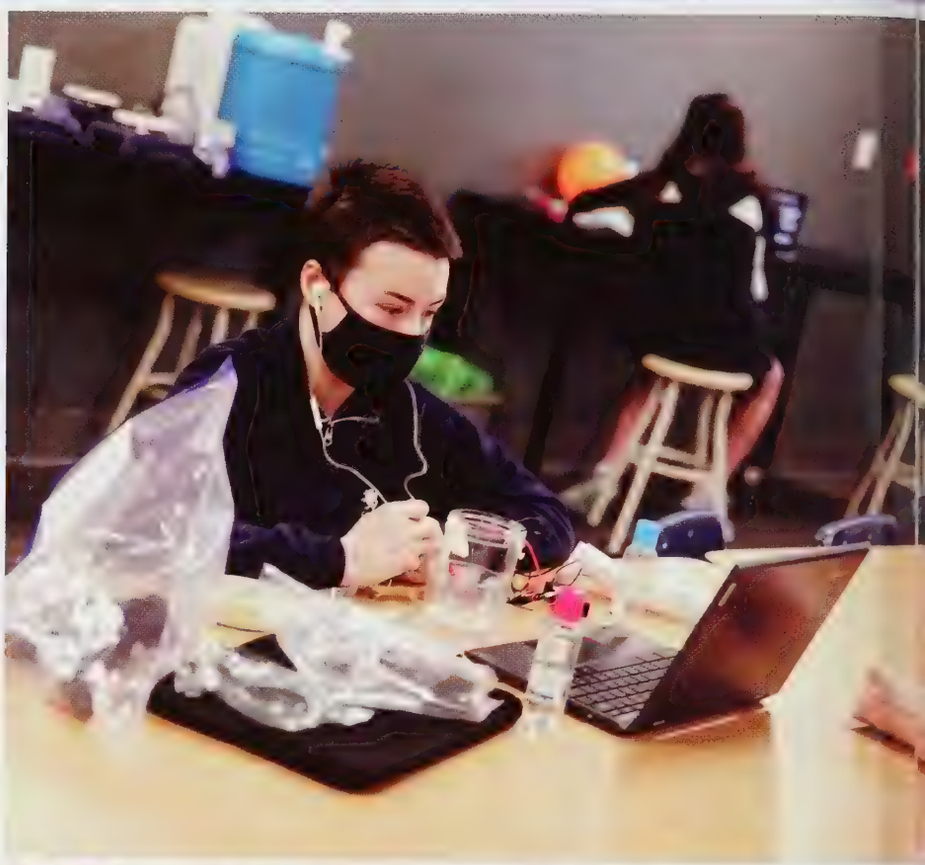

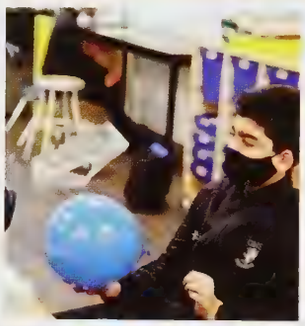

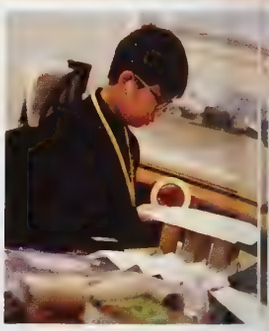

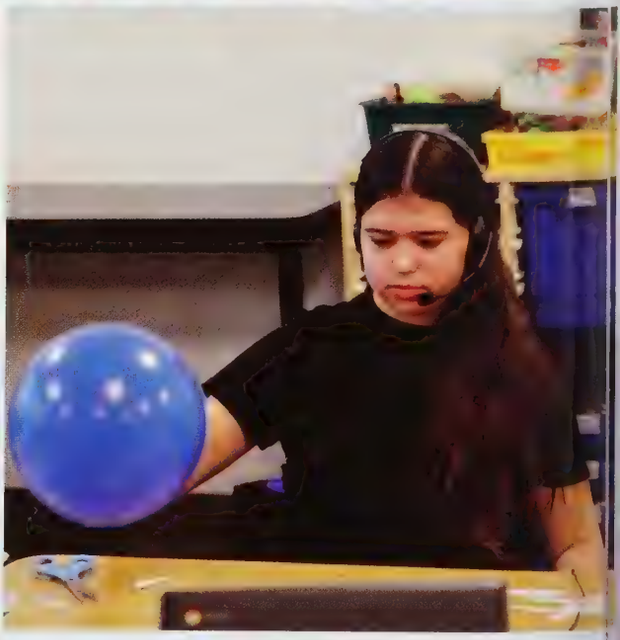

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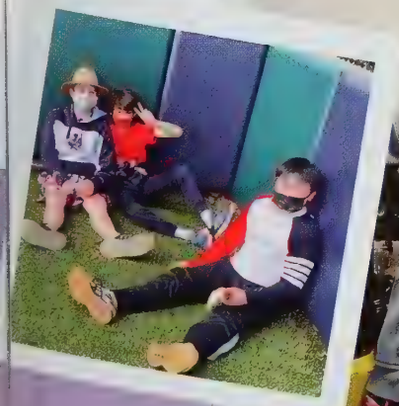

Additional performances included the Senior School Choir with Tallulah Tam on the piano, Hannah playing the pipa, and Grade 10 students Lily Kang and Jo-An Chia performing a Chinese Dance. As well, Grade 11 students Alice Li, Jason Zhang and Hui Lin Shan sang a Mandarin song, and the celebration concluded with a dance by Stefanie Chen '21.

Lunar New Year

The Senior School celebrated Lunar New Year during their assembly on February 10.

Cultural Prefect Hannah Yin '21 led the charge to create the celebration by recruiting contributions from members of the GNS community to put together an exciting performance. Hannah shared the assembly MC duties with Anders Woodruff '21 and Marisa Smith '21.

The celebration opened with the Senior School Grade 11/12 Concert Band performing an extract from 'Variations of a Korea Folk Song,' followed by the Mandarin 11 class performing a skit about Lunar New Year.

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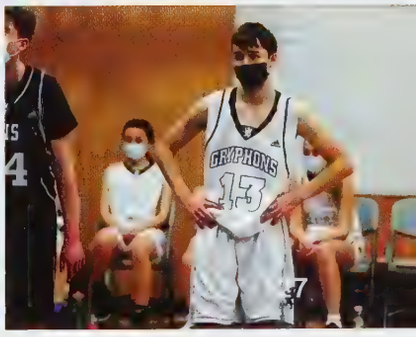
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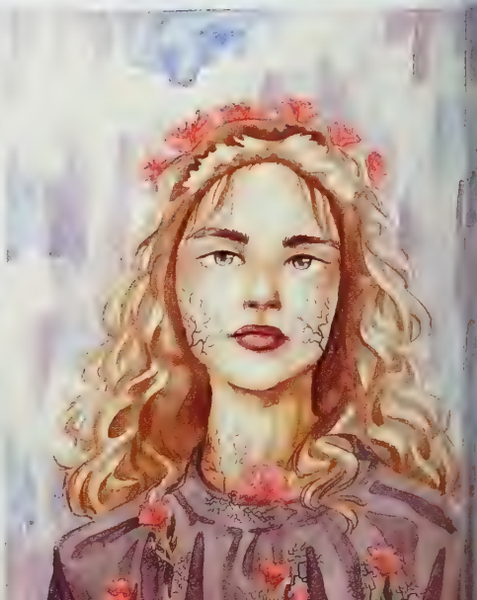
Grade 6 & 7 FIELD HOCKEY

Grade 8 FIELD HOCKEY

IB Art Exhibition

Grade 12 students Giulia Giommi and Erica Patrick proudly displayed their art at the 2021 IB Art Exhibition in March.



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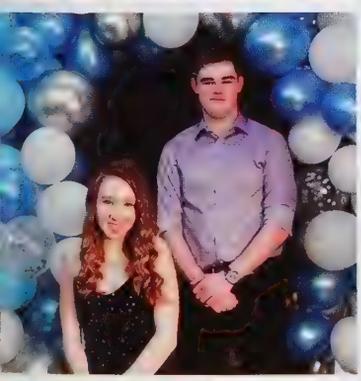
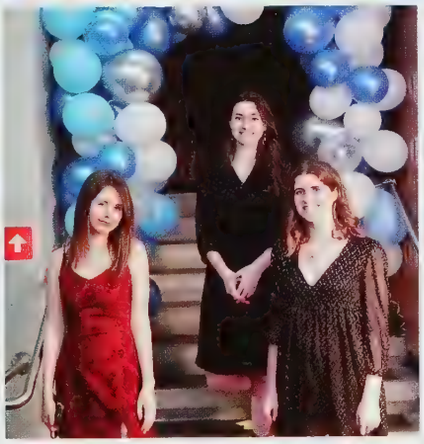

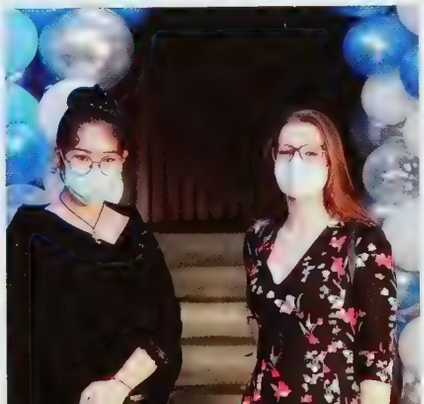

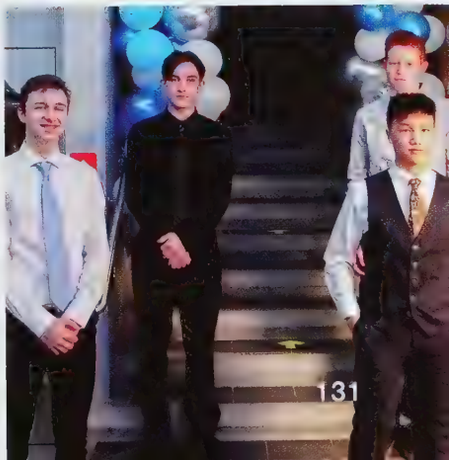

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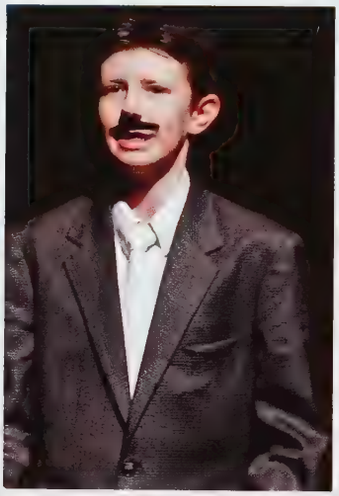

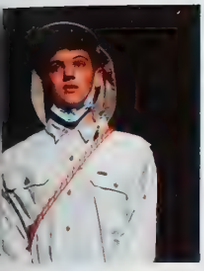

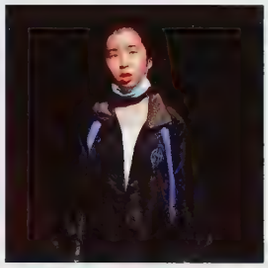

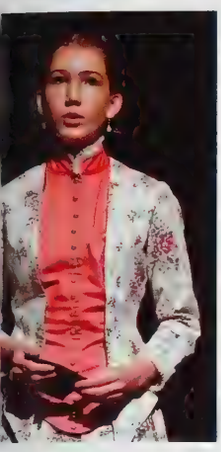

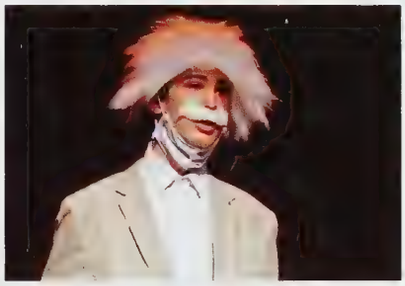

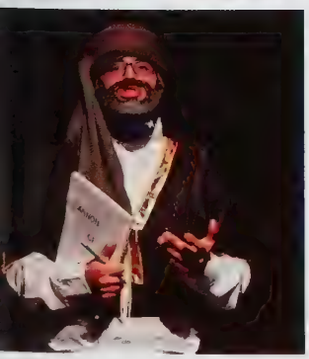

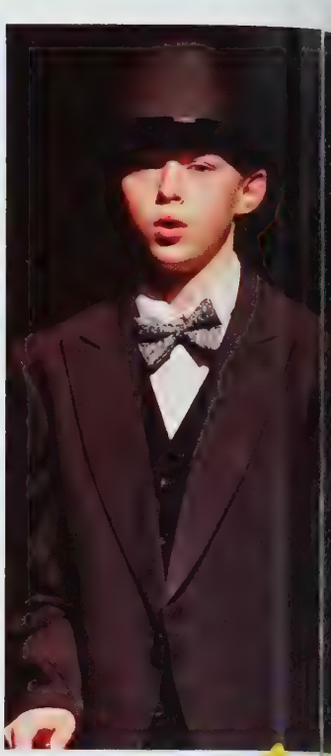

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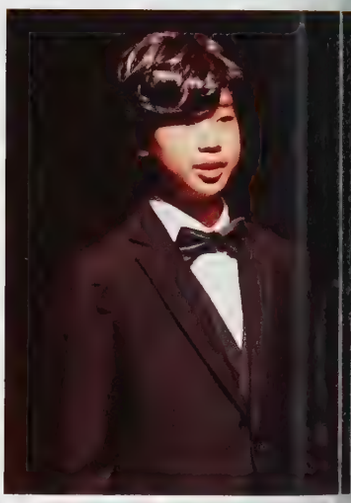

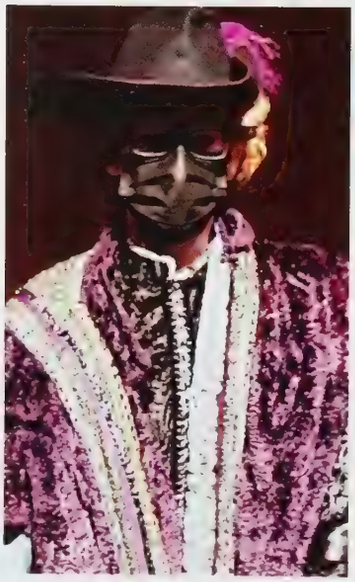

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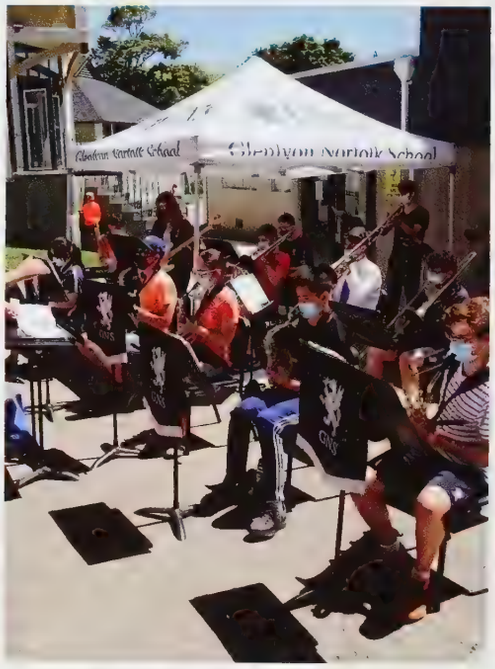

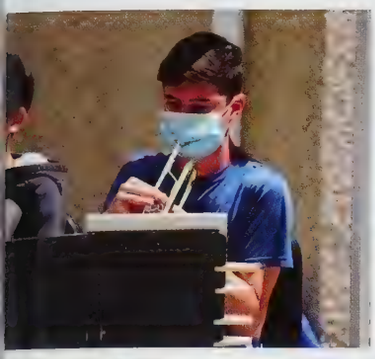

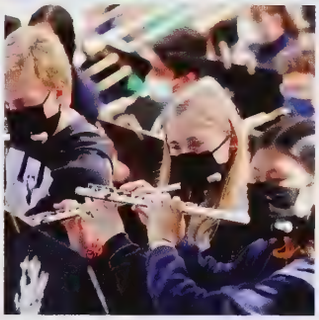

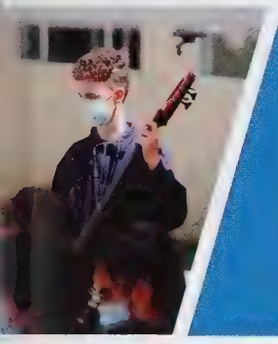

Grade 8 BAND

A Midsummer Night's Dream

A magical tale of love and confusion, jealousy and misadventure. Undaunted by the lofty classic, the GNS Middle School actors embraced The Bard and all this play's mirth and merriment. Rehearsing in cohorts eventually coming together respecting all safety protocols, these young performers were very grateful that the show can "go on!"

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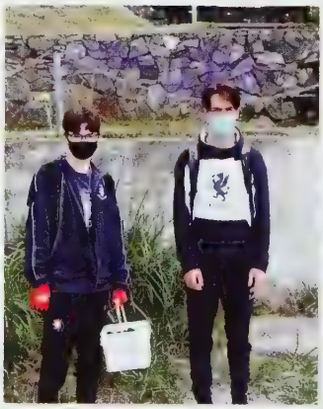
Round Square Beach Cleanups



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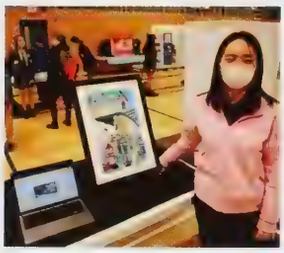

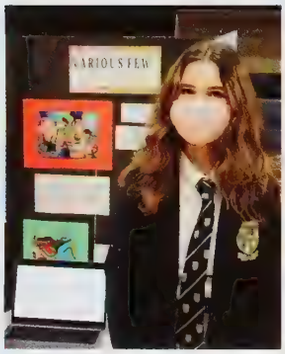

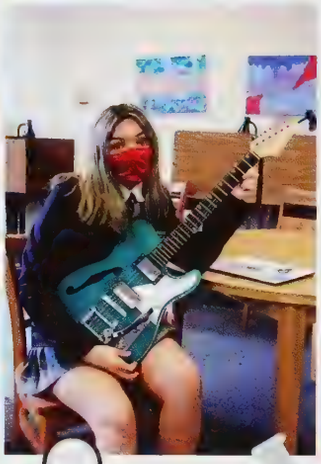
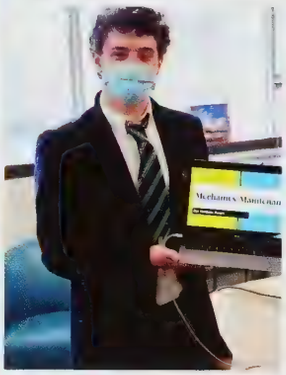
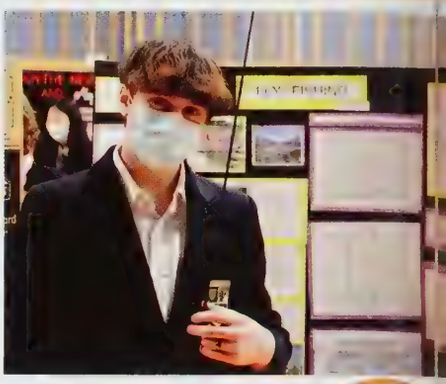

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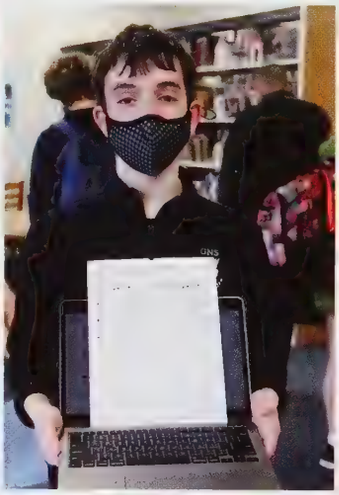

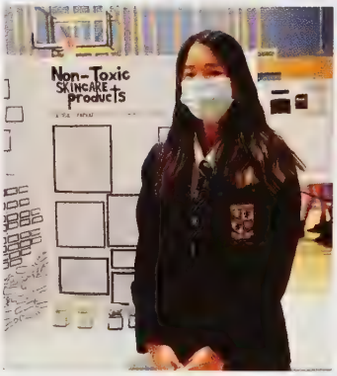

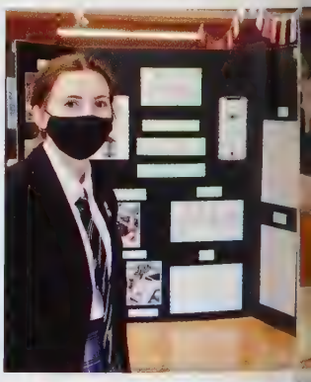

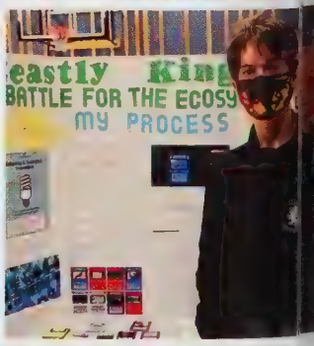

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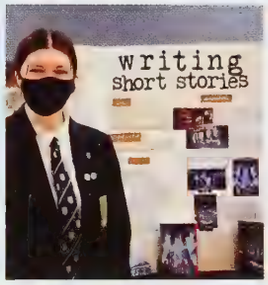
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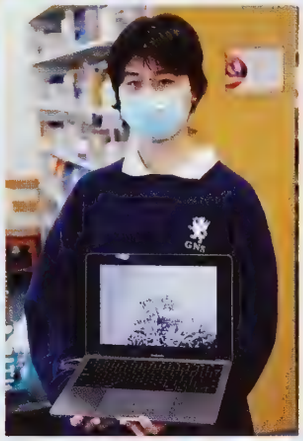
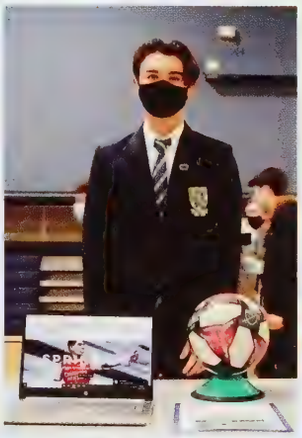

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Creating All-Natural Shampoos

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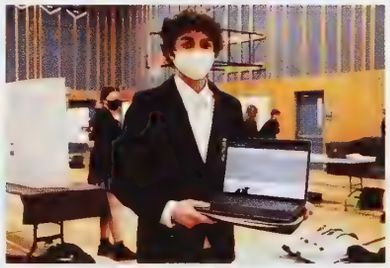

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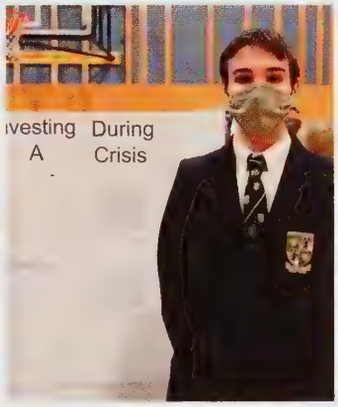
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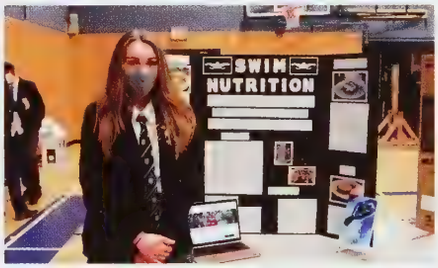
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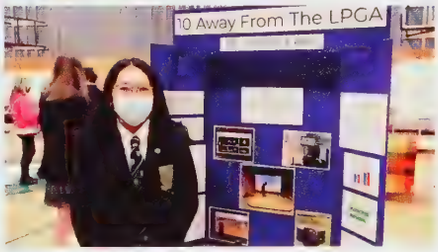
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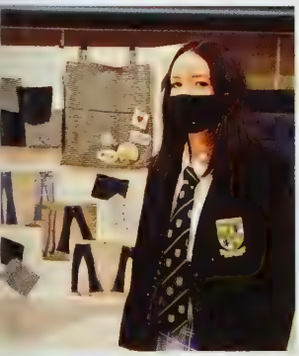

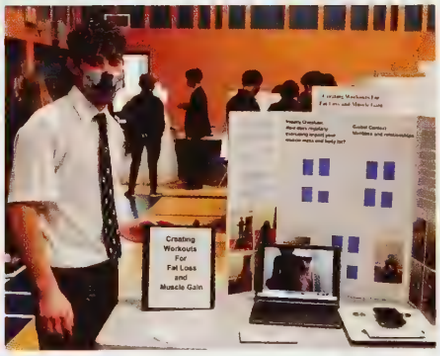
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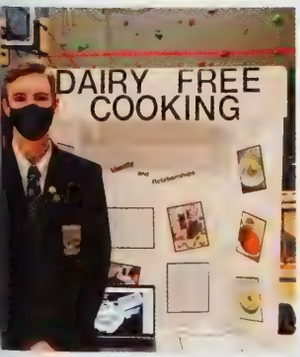
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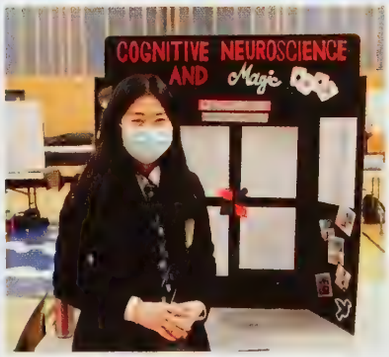
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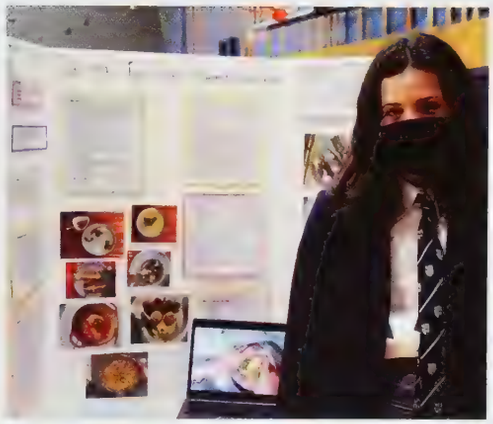

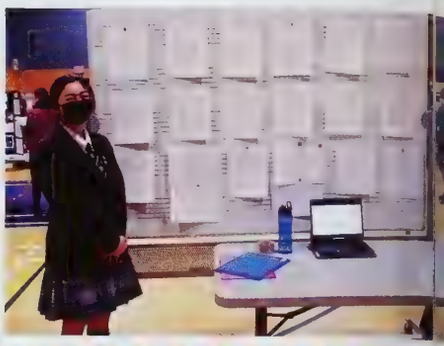
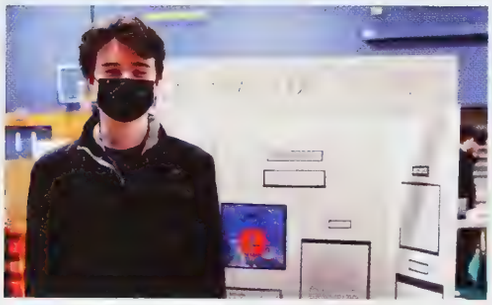
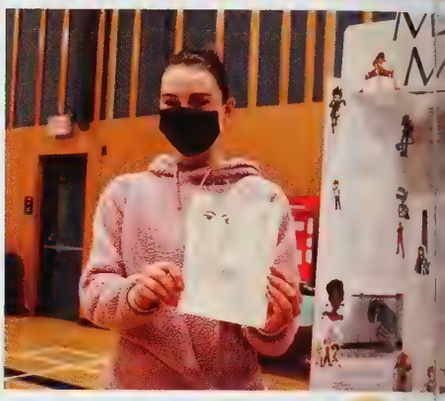

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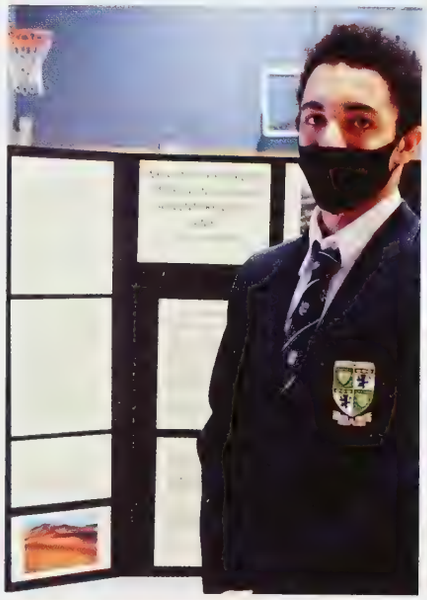
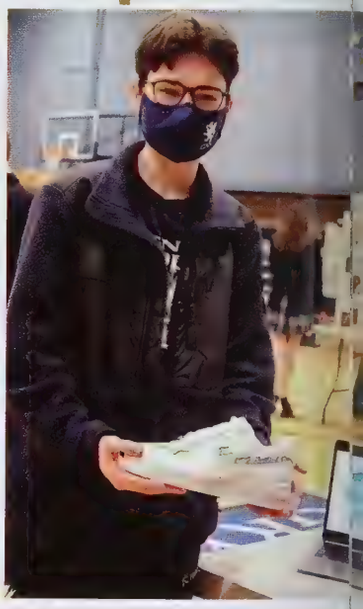
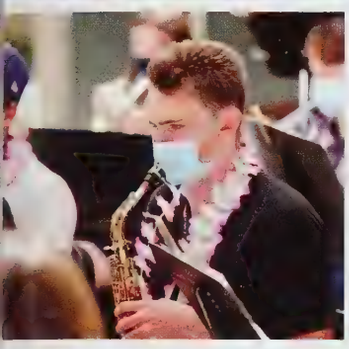
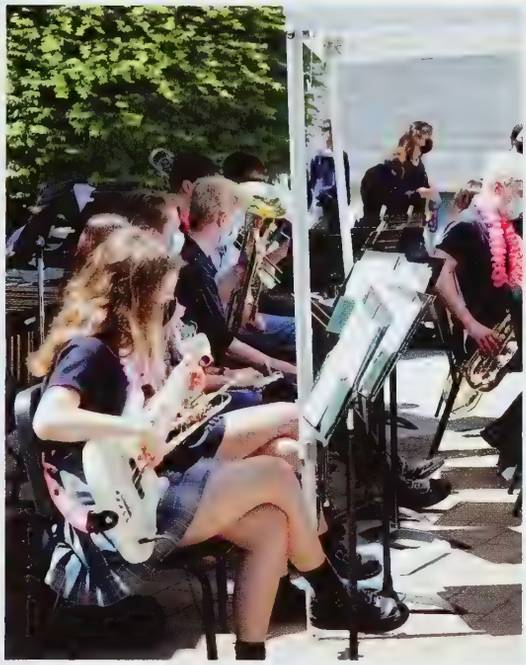
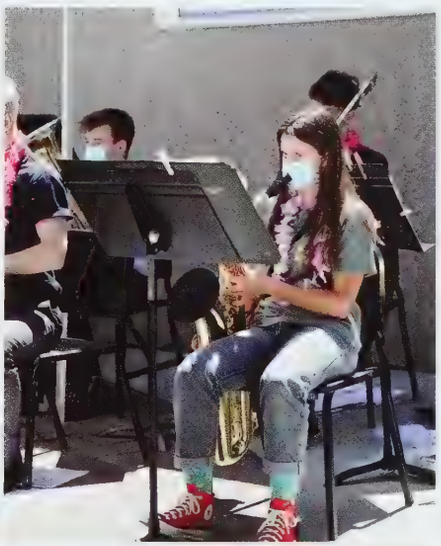




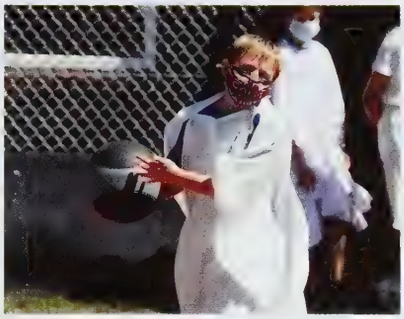


Grade 11/12 BAND

Greek Day

The Grade 7 students donned their traditional chiton for the annual Greek Day event. They had lots of fun with a day of Ancient Educational Activities including discus and stone throws, offerings and speeches plus an Ancient World Trade Game!

GREECE



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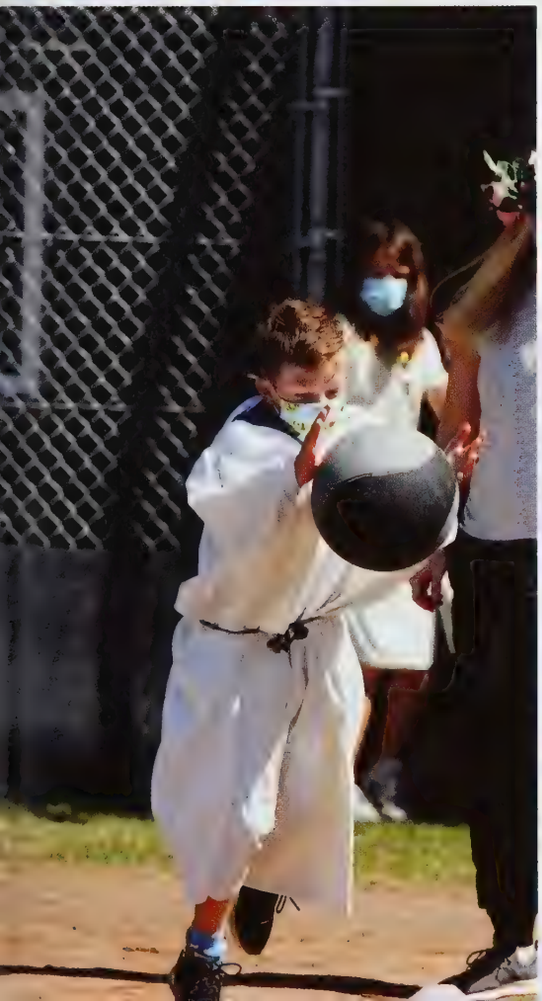

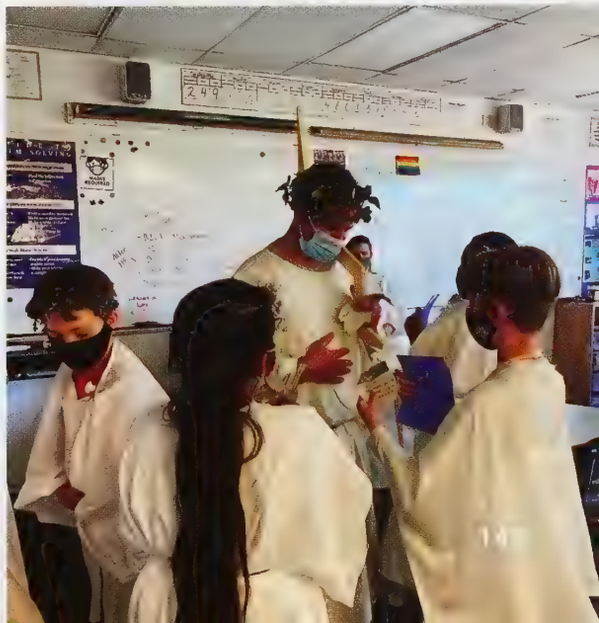

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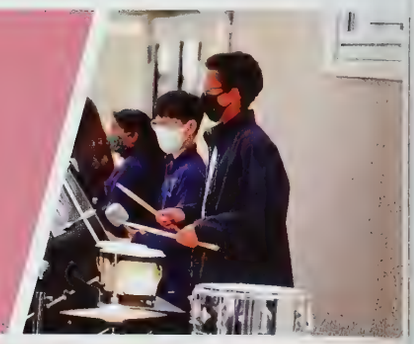

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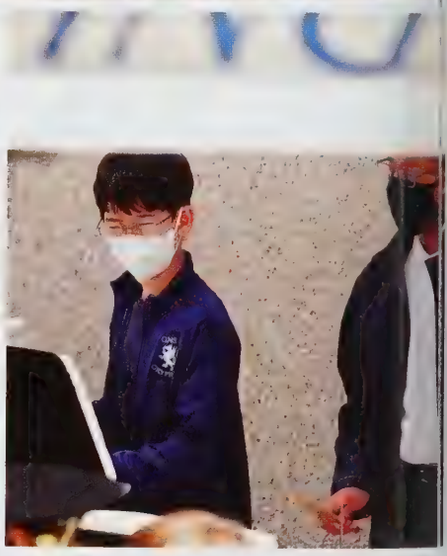

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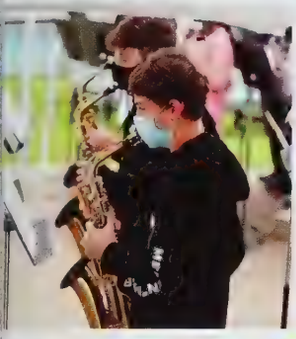

Grade 9 BAND

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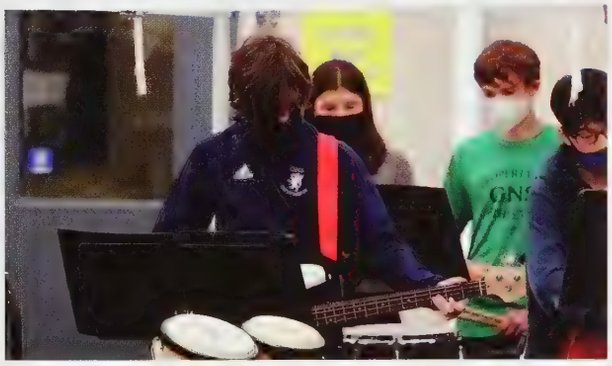

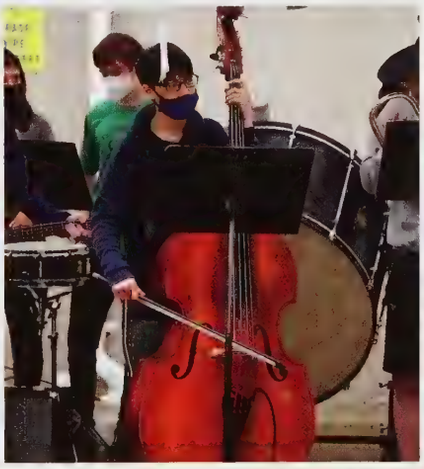

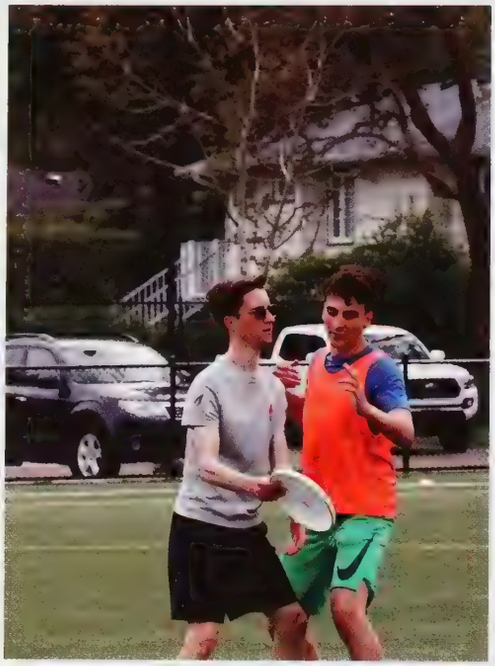

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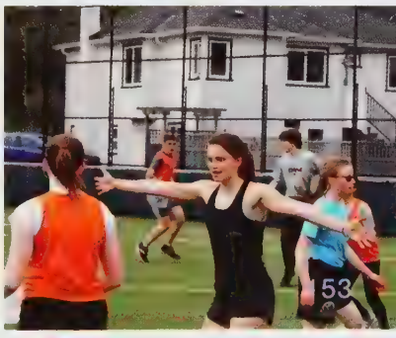

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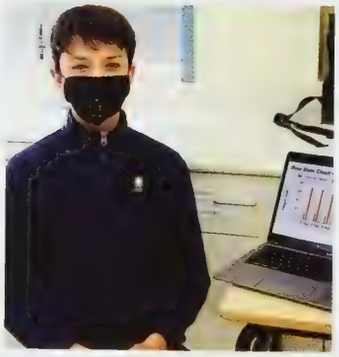

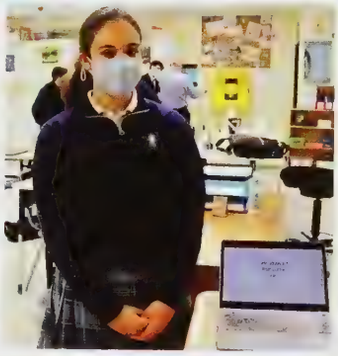

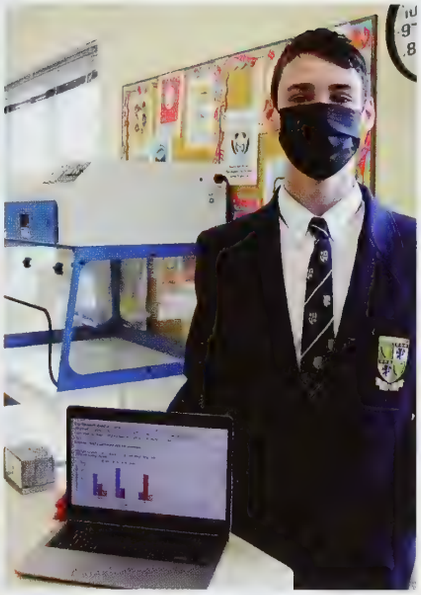

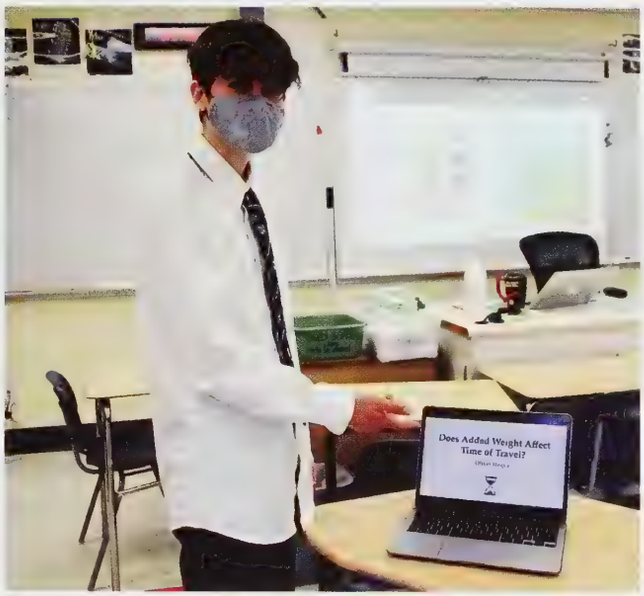
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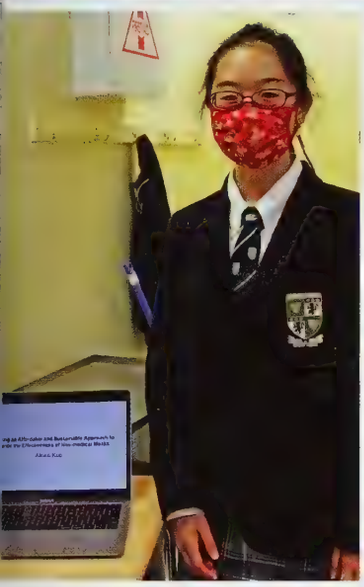

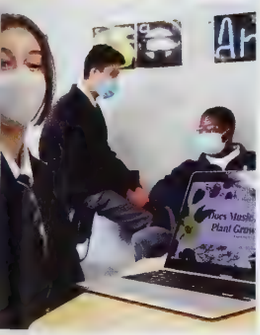

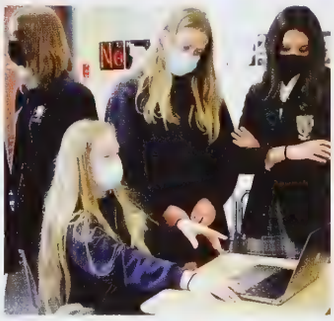

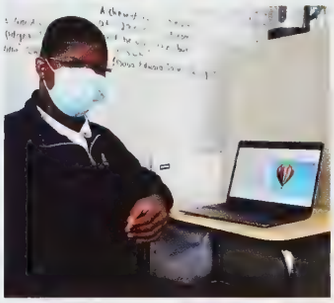

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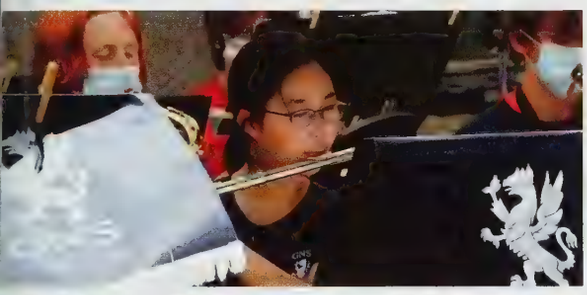

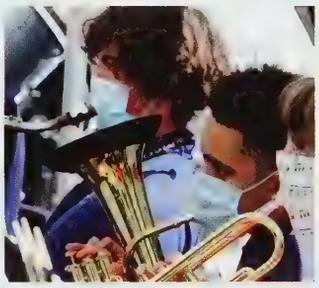

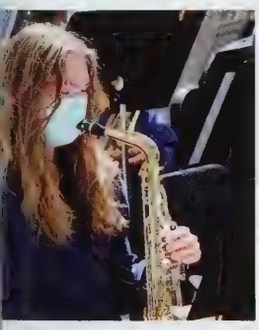

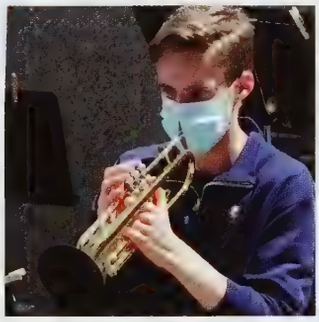

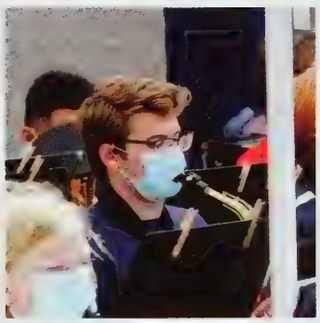

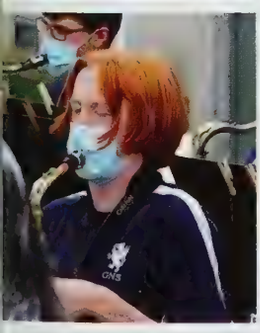

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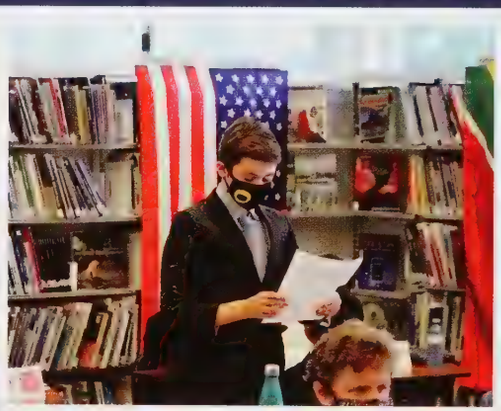

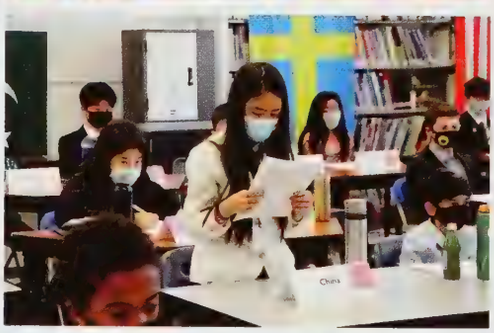

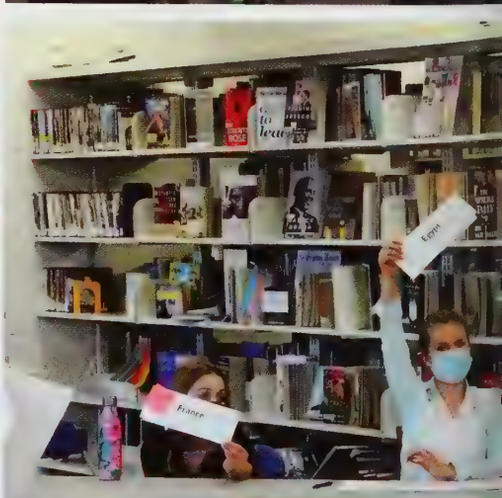

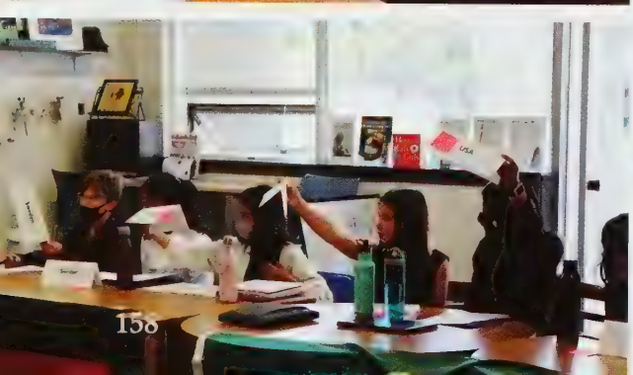

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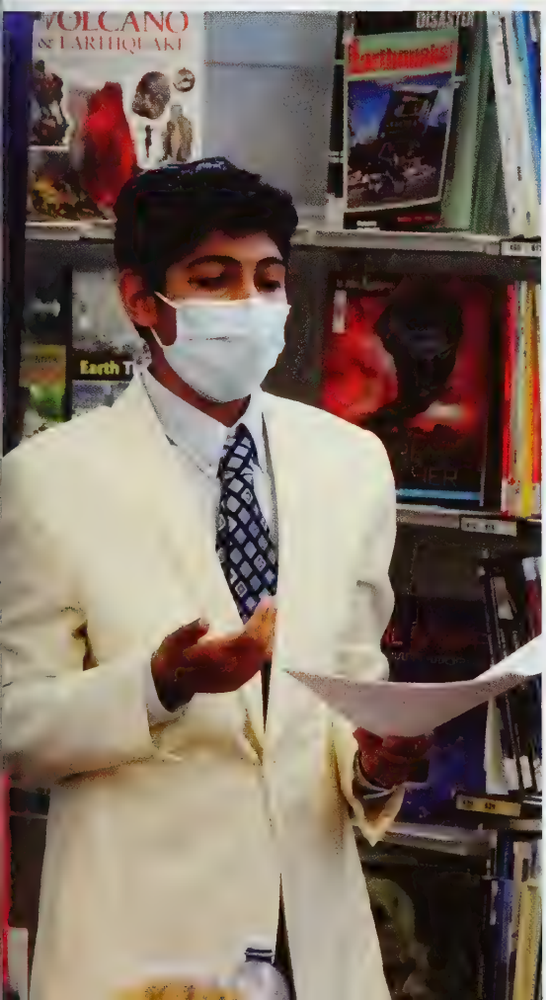
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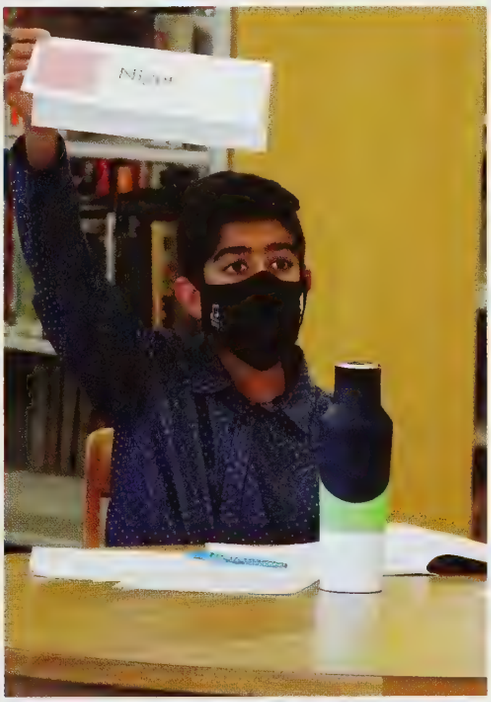

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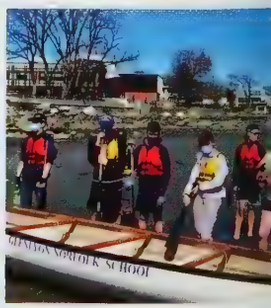
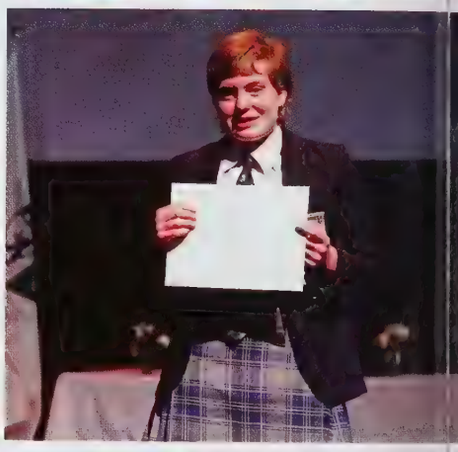
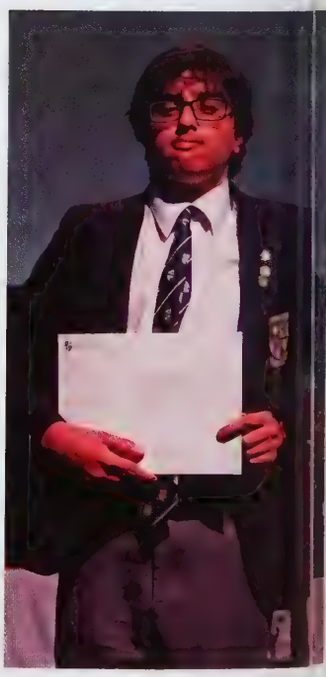
Grade 7/8 VOYAGEUR CANOEING

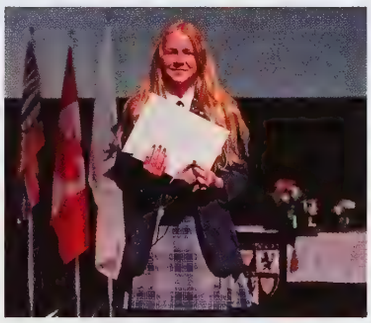


Middle School RUGBY

Middle School Closing







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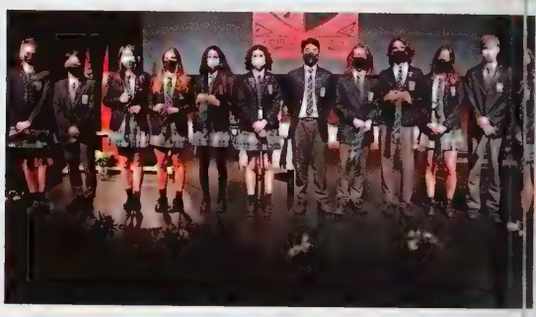

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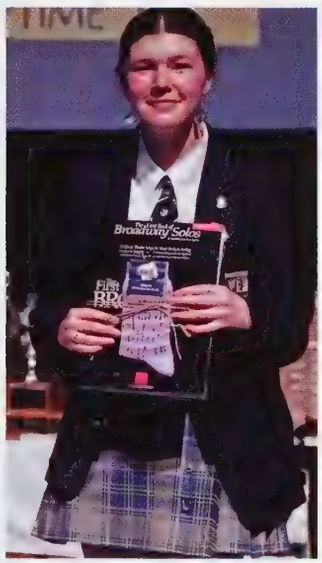

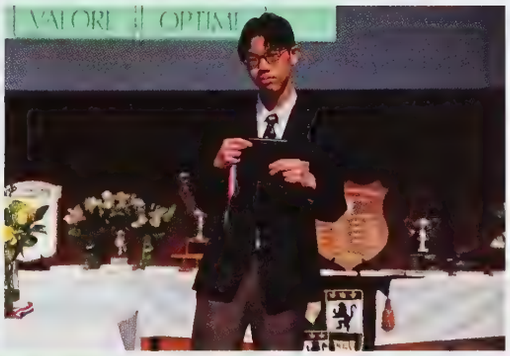

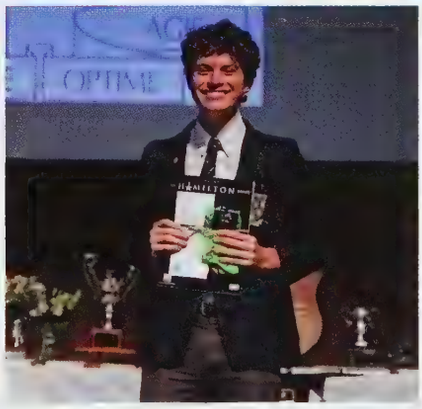
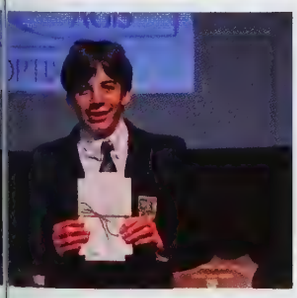

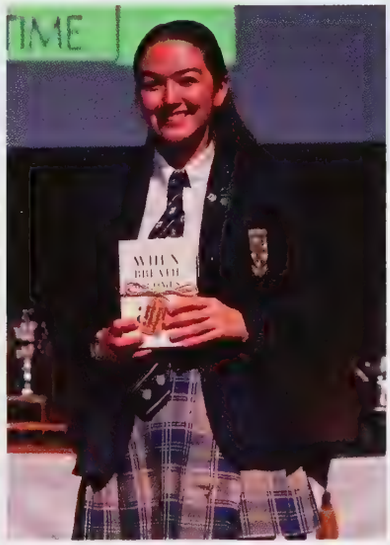
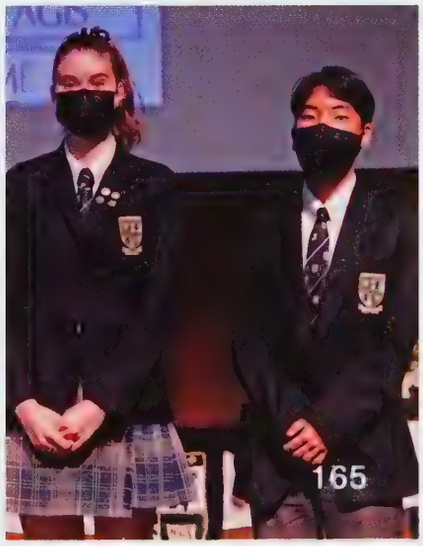

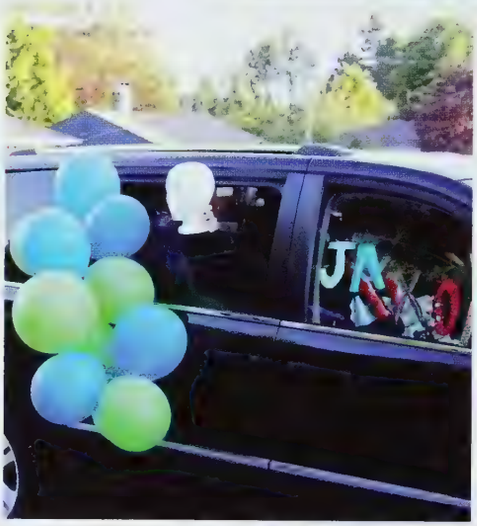

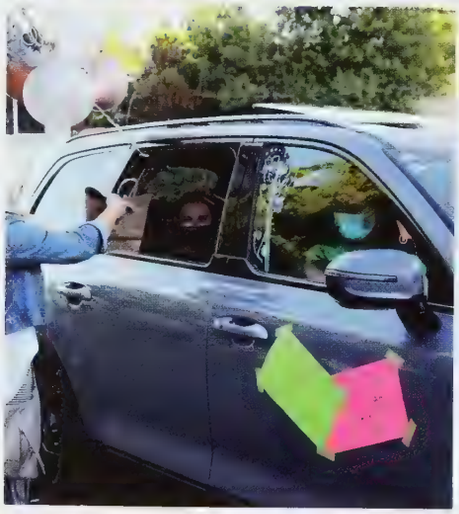

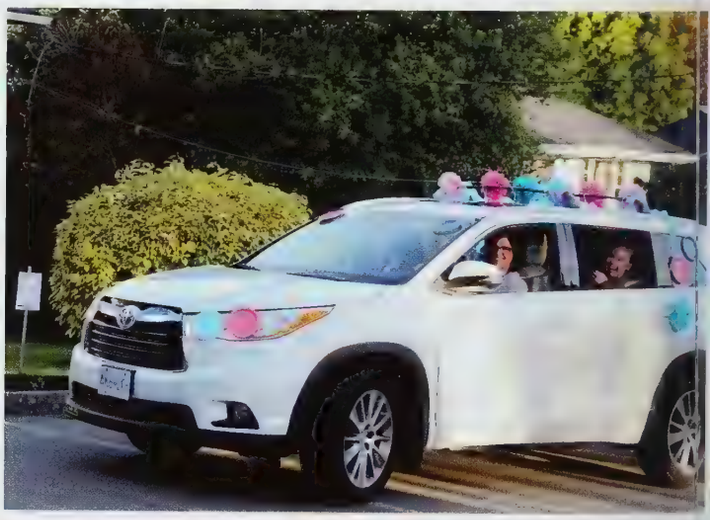

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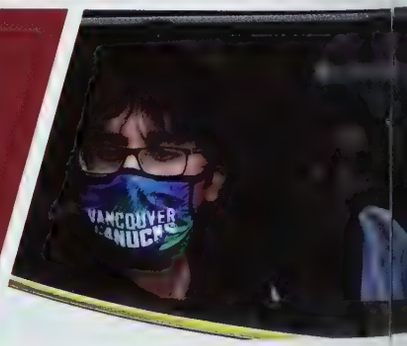

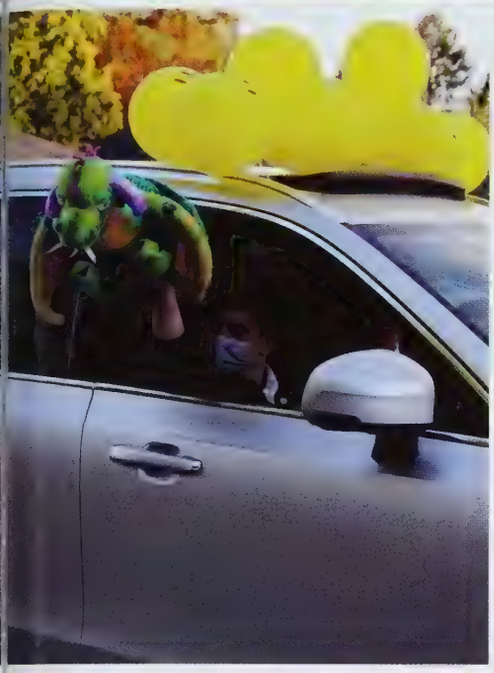

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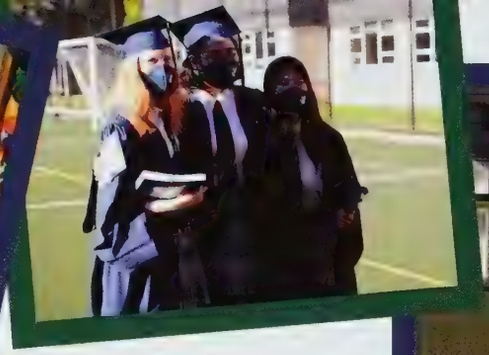

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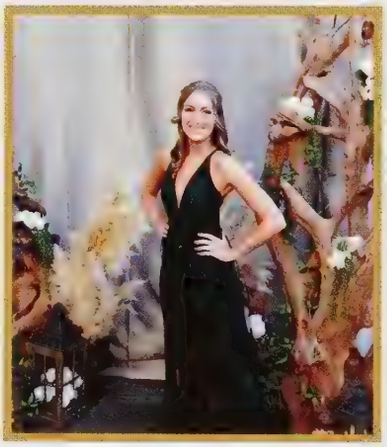

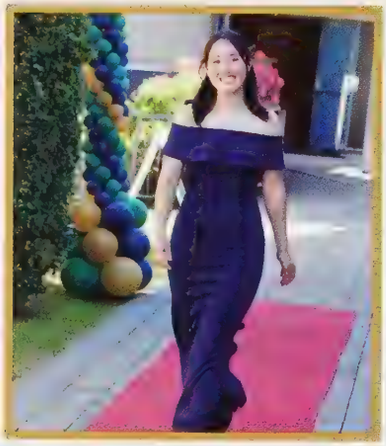
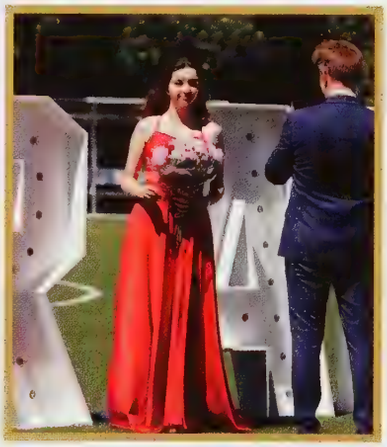
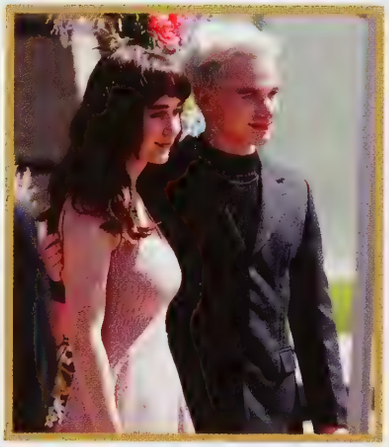

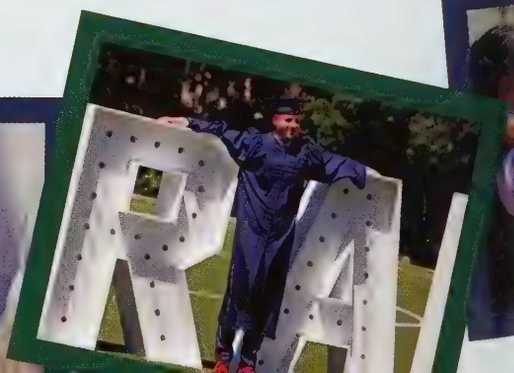

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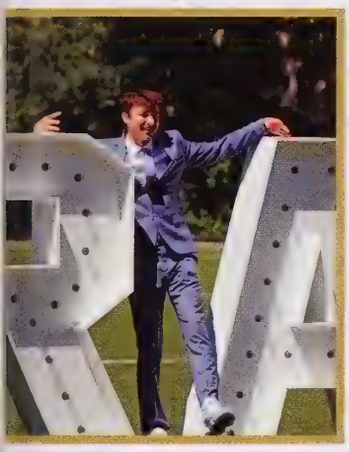
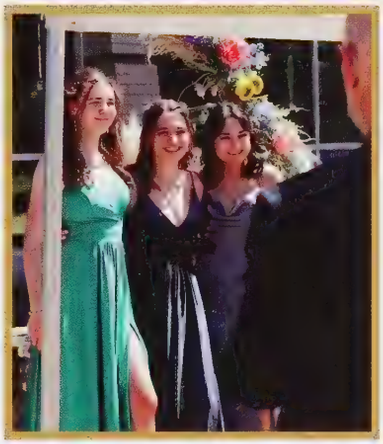
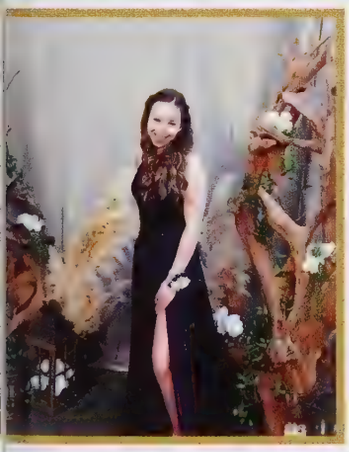
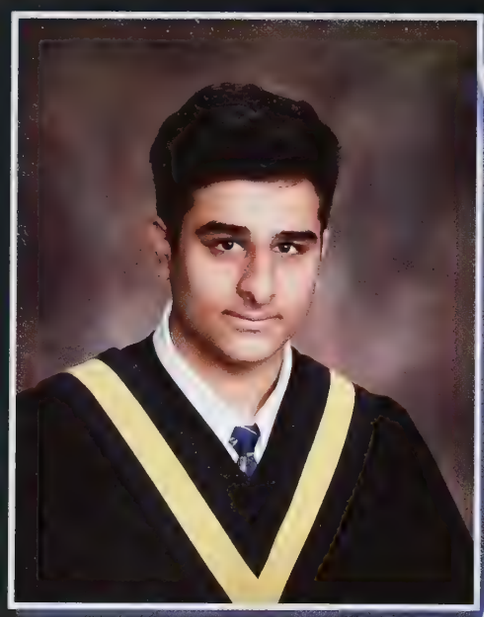
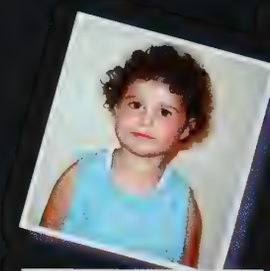




Sahil Baidwan

Arriving at GNS in Grade 6, Sahil, or "Sisi" as his friends call him, has fond memories of Camp David, frolicking at The Beach, playing Rugby and chillin' with friends in the Library. Don't let Sahil's laid back nature fool you, he is fierce and decisive when it's time to buy a new pair of shoes. His collection currently exceeds 10 pairs and counting! As Sahil takes his first steps on his future path, we know he'll have the right foot wear on to get him where he needs to go! We wish him all the best as he heads to the University of Victoria to study business.

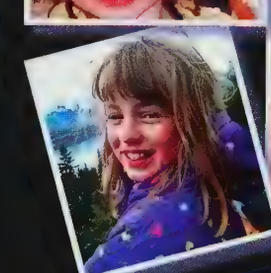


Stephanie Borissov

What do Bulgarian Traditional Dancing, rowing and a wicked sen of humour have in common? Stephanie Borrisov. Did you also kno that she is basically sunshine in human form? She is incredib humble, so you may not know these things as she is not one to bra From chatting in the library to spending time in classes, her frien are what Stephanie loves most about her time at GNS, and th would be quick to say the same thing about her. Academic, activi and adventurer, Stephanie is excited to explore the world and bri her positivity to every place she visits. Next year Stephanie will attending the University of Victoria to study computer science.

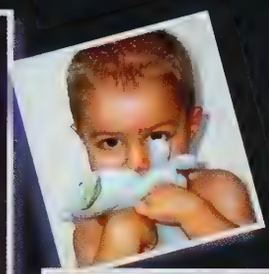
Connor Bosenberg

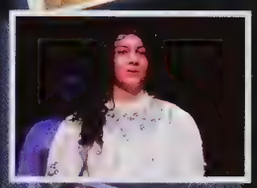
C for coffee. B for bikes. One of his first accolades was a Masters Degree in Recess: digging holes at the beach and only playing soccer as an excuse to slide around in the mud. This chaos led to adventures at the "big campus" with his first foray into chemistry—mistaking peroxide for milk. Is that why he won the Chemistry award? Adult-Connor developed in the Senior School with monk-like discipline, arising each morning at 5:30 a.m., with a precisely prepared espresso in hand, and homework strewn across the table. Connor will miss his classmates, whom he considers the best reason for having attended GNS. We will miss Connor as he heads to the University of British Columbia to study engineering.

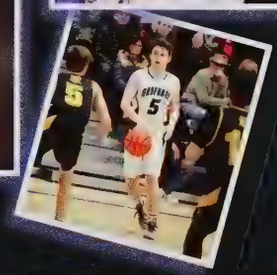


Annie Burrage

Human rights advocate, brave knight, and compelling singer, Annie's time at GNS speaks to her ability to create community and connect with those around her. A regular in the learning commons and on the stage, Annie hasn't EVER missed a production or a musical all through Senior School. She is a delightful human with an even keel, and even in the most stressful situations Annie never fails to make people smile. Annie would like to give a special shout out to her twin brother, William, who graduated last week. Next year, Annie will be studying Early Childhood Studies at Ryerson University, and we have no doubt she will finger knit her way into everyone's hearts.







Daimeohn Chapman

aimeohn, or "Daimo" to his friends, has been found on or around GNS basketball court since Grade 3 at the Beach. While he will lways have fond memories of his time on the Senior Boys asketball team and hanging out in the library, Daimeohn is also earching for someone to replace him as the official "Director of Iarker Management" in the Art Room. The other student artists ill definitely miss his impromptu one-man dance parties at the ack of the room. No surprise to us, next year, Daimeohn will ursue studies in music production.

Stefanie Chen

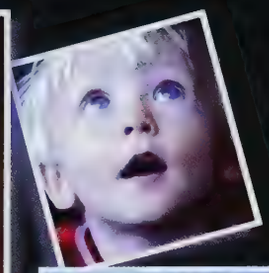
When asked for her favorite memories at GNS, Stefanie responded: stage managing productions with the tech crew, chasing after frisbees with the ultimate team, and laughing so hard with friends! We will all remember her kindness, generosity, and determination to write every IB practice exam ever made! Stefanie would like to thank her teachers, friends, and host family who helped her thrive in IB and survive being homesick. She plans to attend the University of California, Berkeley next year for a program in biochemistry and molecular biology working towards her dream career in medicine. Best of luck, Stefanie!

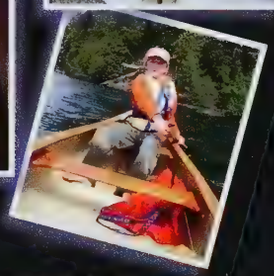
Francesca Cumberbirch

rancesca's favourite memories from GNS consist of seeing how te she can come to school without missing attendance, winning Gotcha', and, of course, Design 10. In ten years, this adventurer opes to be living in England, surrounded by tea and British accents. he next chapter begins at the University of Victoria in September udying Psychology, and includes a plan to go on an exchange to e University of Manchester. A cherished 'lifer', Francesca will ook back on her time at GNS fondly remembering her close iendships and moments filled with laughter. Her infectiously bright ersonality will be dearly missed.

Madison Davits

Known for her high energy, welcoming smile, and ability to rally the troops into doing just about anything, Madi will be leaving big shoes to fill in the Doerksen homeform. As a lifer, it's hard to choose her favourite memories, but Camp David, basketball provincials, and whip war at the beach campus rank high on the list. Known for having an entourage of supportive family at every event, Madi herself is always a huge supporter of her peers, and can often be heard yelling "Yes Queen!!!" as she cheers them on. Next year, Madi will study business at the University of Victoria



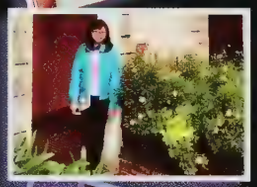


Cees Dirks

Cees, not to be confused with Ceez, Cheese, Cease, Ceeeeeze….arrived at GNS in Grade 9 and headed straight to the theatre, where he has been ever since. From narrator #12 to the Black Knight, Cees emerged from the curtain ready to box step, appearing in every production on the GNS stage. Guitar on his back, next year he is heading to the Netherlands to travel, work and eat war fries. Cees' future plans include making, playing and selling guitars, probably while listening to Classic Rock. We wouldn't be surprised if he started his own theatre company specializing in avant-garde surrealist theatre.

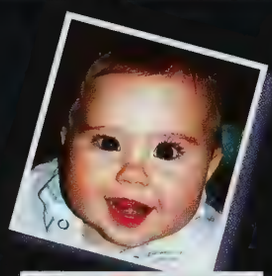
Parker Dix

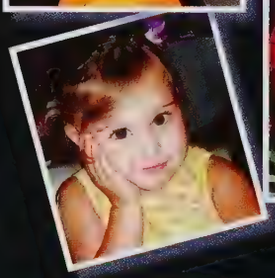
"True Grit" is the title of Parker's biography to date. In Language and Literature class, having memorized his ten minut oral assessment so thoroughly, he delivered it with his eyes shut not missing a single beat. On the basketball court, the football gridiron or the academic classroom, "Dixy" has achieved his goals, one play at a time. Though leaving in Grade 10 to pursue football at Mount Doug, our prodigal son returned because GNS is in his heart—and also the football players were REALLY big Next year, Parker will attend Camosun College to pursue their sports management program.



Thu Doan

Thu joined GNS in Grade 10 by way of Vietnam, and has brightened our school with her joyful smile and ukulele playing ever since. Adventurer, traveller and unafraid of a challenge, this lovely human found community here through Culture club, Tech Club and on stage in Mary Poppins. Thu is proud to have survived HL math and less harshly a frigid Edmonton winter. Upon graduation, Thu will take her logical and creative skills to pursue Computer Science at University of Toronto Mississauga. Thu will miss her friends and is grateful for the opportunity to have made GNS and Victoria her home away from home.



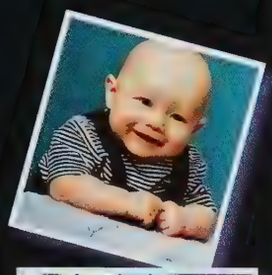


Ava Dryden

In seven years at GNS this dynamic Head Prefect has done it all Played on more sports teams, been involved in more activities and served on more committees than just about anybody. This baker of mug cakes and chocolate chip cookies is a force, but in the best possible way. With memories of MUN, Service trips to Costa Rica and India, Ava has done it all with a smile, and a jump in her step. Next year, Ava plans to head to McMaster University to study science with the longer-term goal of heading to medical school.

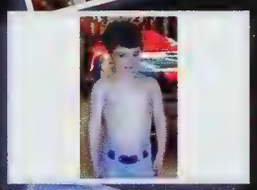
Sophie Dunkley

)ur soft-spoken Sophie screams fashion and art in every andmade blouse, vibrant canvas, custom birthday card, and ote-side doodle. Don't let the nickname "Slophie" fool ou—she believes double blocks were made for skateboarding, venings are for volunteer councils, and weekends are for rifting. Sophie is the secret shopper behind her friends' best oks and the builder of a Danny Devito shrine in the girls athroom. The world will see her shine in either film costume esign or law! Her teachers, friends and COBBS Bread will miss ophie as she heads off to Ryerson University for Creative ndustries.



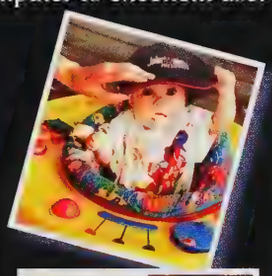
Connor Elliott

Connor's motto is "Why use words to convey meaning, when a wry grin says it all?" Though he never joined the school choir, his musical talent was on display as he, and the rest of the basketball team, regaled Corin with a rendition of Oh, Canada after Mr. Wallace received his Canadian citizenship. Connor's favourite memory is the Grade 11 basketball provincials because of the team's excellent gameplay and the Olive Garden server who called Mr. Thorau "Bro" throughout dinner. Next year, Connor will study engineering at the University of British Columbia, thus putting that Personal Project experience of building a gaming computer to excellent use.



Ian Ferguson

he ground trembles. Dust falls from the ceiling, pictures fall ff walls. Not an earthquake. This force of nature is Ian erguson, standing tall at 6'3". Ian has had this effect ever since is arrival to GNS in Grade 5. No mandatory mask will muffle is voice. As games captain, he can be heard, fearlessly leading e basketball team, or theorizing in Mr. Irvine's Physics Class. Vhat began as a childhood interest in airplanes, is now a reality. hanks to his teachers who patiently marked every single ssignment on—wait for it—airplanes, Ian will be flying off to yerson University to pursue Aerospace Engineering and viation Technology.

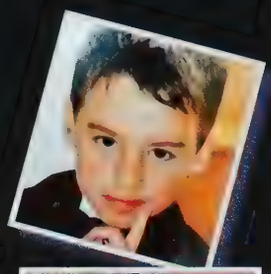


Alexandra Finn

Alex Finn can always be counted on to look at the bright side of life. She is someone who is passionate and caring, as shown through her work as the Service Prefect. Alex embodies the qualities of a leader with her simple acts of kindness like holding the door with a smile on her face, or waving in the hallway to each person she sees. She will be remembered for her bad dad/biology jokes, coffee addiction, and 'stress Baking.' Alex will pursue Health Sciences at Queens University where we are sure she will continue to wave her magic wand of positivity.

Stella Fraser

Stella Fraser is a BC girl through and through–whether that be rowing on elk lake at 6am and then again at 6 p.m., hiking the Juan de Fuca trail, or forcing her friends to go on quarantine walks—she LOVES the great outdoors. We will miss Stella's dry, but hilarious sense of humour, her upbeat spirit, even in math class, and of course her friendly hellos as she lugged her many rowing bags through the halls. Our fierce west coast trike racer will continue yanking chain at the University of British Columbia where she will pursue a degree in the arts.

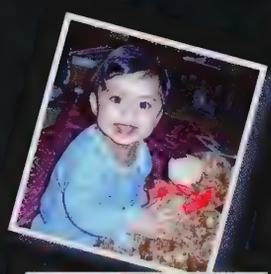


Luca Gaffney

Known for great socks and noisy shoes, Luca, is the guy who always looks and sounds genuinely happy to be at GNS. Luca debates eloquently, but he does so while actively moving. He says this is so th his arguments become less of a speech and more of entertaining dinne theater. Having been here for four years, it is fitting that an alto sax player's favorite memory was the Disneyland Band trip. Luca will loo back fondly at his time with Mr. Giommi and his friends. He hopes to pursue a career in business and science but ultimately Luca just wants to be happy and do cool things. We will miss this gregarious soul as h leaves the Gryphon nest to study business and economics.

Riya Gandhi

If leprechauns want to find a pot of gold, all they have to do is look inside Riya's heart. Over her time at GNS, even though she's made some serious lifestyle changes (#she'sapreachyvegan #noappendix), Riya has maintained her reputation as a bright, bubbly, and compassionate young woman. She has taken the world of science by storm, and we admire her enthusiasm and determination in accomplishing even the most rigorous tasks. She is the sweetest person in the world—until you come between her and that UNO card she wants. We can't wait to see what Riya accomplishes in her time at the University of British Columbia, in the prestigious Science One Program.

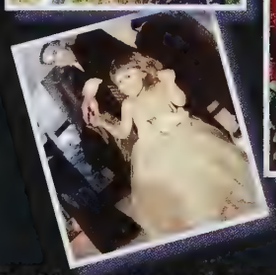


Shreya Gandhi

In the words of one of Shreya's favourite pastimes—Buzzfeed Quizzes—Shreya Gandhi is similar to a snickerdoodle cookie—she's sugar, spice, and everything nice. Since her arrival in Grade 9, the balance of her sweet and sassy personality, along with her loyalty an determination, has left quite the mark on the GNS community. Her humility conceals her accomplishments; enthusiastic scientist, innovative researcher, dedicated academic, gifted writer, and well-intentioned pun-maker (Mr. Irvine can attest). We will miss her lovel smile as she leaves us to start the Science One program at the University of British Columbia next year—and we'll be excited to sa "we knew" her—when she cures the next global epidemic.

Giulia Giommi

iulia's favorite memories during her eight years at GNS clude creating the story of Burbuja, (boor bu hah) the sobedient child in Spanish 10, playing at The Beach with phia Glatiotis, and staying after school in the art room to do t ALONE. This is no surprise given her passion for all things t—particularly animé. Art fills her soul and feeds her desire relax and do what she loves! She plans to attend the Alberta niversity of the Arts to study illustration, working towards her eam career as a freelance artist with her own little studio.

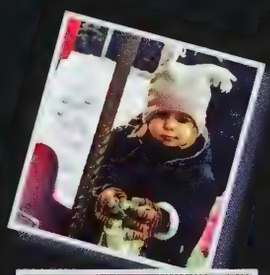


Sophia Glatiotis

When Sophia sets her mind on something, stand back because it will be accomplished. Sophia's classmates' comment that she is the "Mom-est" of their friends with the biggest heart. She instinctively knows what you need before you do. She'll hand you a snack before you even know you're hungry. Thirsty? Here's some water. Need a ride home? No need to ask, Sophia and her Squishmellows have entered the coordinates to your house on her GPS. Sophia will miss her daily "walkabouts" and check ins with Ms. Drury, and is determined to leave Mr. Thorau and his Tesla in her Mustang's dust as she heads off to the University of Toronto.

Tara Golonka

stle must have based their most famous candy on Tara Golonka, cause not only is she incredibly sweet, she's also a SMARTIE! ra is known for her ability to succeed even in the face of versity known as the IB Diploma. Her friends joke that she has veral career possibilities—Olympic sailor, renowned economist, claimed physician, top-tier French horn soloist, or distinguished gineer. Beyond her ability to excel, Tara is witty, energetic, and always ready to lend a helping hand. We wish this lifer the best luck as she pursues an engineering degree at the University of ctoria.

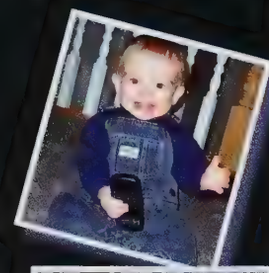


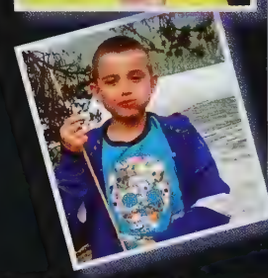
Eva Grosjean

With a plan to study abroad, this physics and mathematics genius took GNS by storm in her Grade 10 year, and hasn't looked back. Described by her friends as a fierce leader in the classroom, Eva is someone who genuinely dedicates herself to her community and pushes her peers forward through sheer determination and by offering her knowledge and time as a tutor. Whether it is in the classroom or on the lake, this dedicated rower never settles, and consistently chooses the difficult path towards self improvement. In the fall, Eva will be attending university back home in Germany, studying Electrical Engineering and Information Technology.

Zoë Hammond

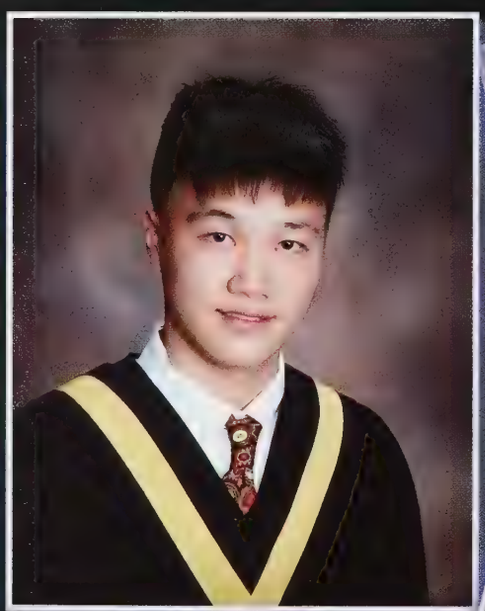
Starting a new school in Grade 10 can be tricky, but imagine ending up with a nickname on day one because the umlaut in your name is too difficult for GNS technology to process. Luckily, "Zoa"—oops autocorrect—Zoë, is all smiles and up for a good laugh. Zoë will cherish her memories at basketball provincials, and will miss late-night practices, coaching middle school basketball, and her friends. She apologizes to anyone that experienced the rancid smell resulting from her Bio IA left in the lab fridge. Zoë will study Life Sciences at McMaster University.





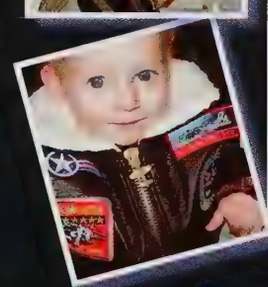
Dylan Hemphill-Theriault

A lifer, Dylan fondly remembers spending time at the beach whil at the Junior Campus where Mr. Eagle remarked and I quote, "Al year long he demonstrated his love of learning and bottomless passion for anything and everything at school." According to his friends, it's true that he's good at math but he's even better at procrastinating. Highlights include playing sports in the gym and on the turf. Dylan plans to study Computer Science at the University of Victoria and one day hopes to become a game developer.



Leo Huang

Everyone needs a little Leo in their life. Why? Because Leo is the sweetest one-of-a-kind friend anyone could ask for. He is genuine, supportive, loyal, and the most amaaaazing listener. If he is your friend, then you are "super lucky." When asked to poke fun at someone on tik tok, Leo said "I just don't think about people in that sort of negative way." But apart from being sugar, he is all spice on the basketball court and was the team's best defensive player. This leader in sports will take his energetic, optimistic and contagious smile with him to McMaster University to study social sciences, then travel the world, building social connections.



Liam Hughes

Liam is an original! In five years at GNS he has definitely marched to the beat of his own drum. Always upbeat and positive, Liam is a friend to all and one of the nicest, most genuine people you'll ever meet. In homeform, his apple pies became legendary and they will be sadly missed by those who remain behind. Liam has fond memories of all the parties he has hosted at his house over the years and plans, next year, to head to the University of British Columbia to study psychology. May the sun always shine warmly on your face, Liam!

Lily Kim

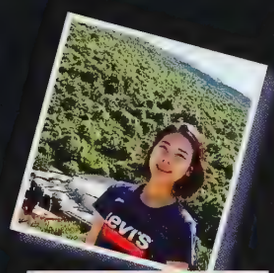
/e wish Lily well as she continues her education at the post-
:condary level.

Jolina Ko

In 10 years, Jolina plans to have her PhD in the sciences; she will look back at her time at GNS reminiscing about chillin with friends and playing badminton after school. One of the sweetest people you will ever meet, Jolina is kind to everyone and everything (including her homeform sunflower). She may be quiet, but is a careful observer and courageously steps in whenever someone needs help. The University of Toronto is fortunate to gain such a dedicated and thoughtful student in their Science Program this Fall.

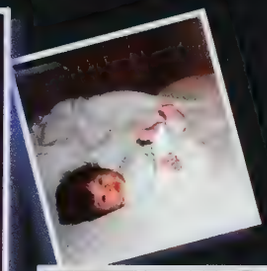
Akira Kudo

Akira is an amazing singer, whose brain is a fountain of knowledge
hat his classmates draw from readily. At GNS, he thoroughly
njoyed Physics class, especially JIPCOW where he attempted the
mpossible of solving it all without a formula book. Although best
known for his mathematical abilities, Akira's true claim to fame
comes from ranking third in Asia for the most deaths in a Minecraft
server. While attending the University of British Columbia for
Computer Science in the Fall, Akira plans to train for the game show
The Price Is Rice and win it big.



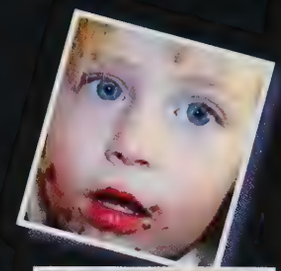
Ella Lee

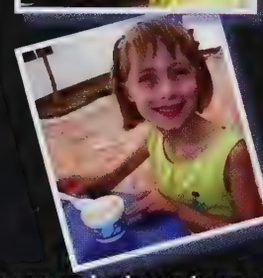
Ella joined us three years ago. Upon first meeting her, you may find her rather shy, but once you get to know her, you will find her laugh to be quite infectious. Ella will carry with her fond memories of the Round Square Trip to Peru in Grade 10, her amazing and inspiring peers and the beautiful cherry blossoms. We will remember her as a determined student and lighting operator extraordinaire for our Senior School productions and assemblies. We wish Ella all the best as she heads off to Carnegie Mellon University to study chemical engineering. Ella, don't forget your winter gear



Melissa Lee

Don't be deceived by her quiet appearance, Melissa is strongly opinionated and will be sure to tell you what she thinks about your tastes in TV and music. Quirky, funny, and the self-appointed Lang Lit peer-editor to all, her brutally honest feedback is offered with the greatest kindness. Her most creative moment was when she surprised Ms. Riddell with an official IB outline almost entirely composed of emojis. Melissa swears her future is as a NASCAR driver, given her deeply passionate and entirely true personal connection to her Physics IA, but whatever the final destination is, her journey begins next year at the University of Victoria!



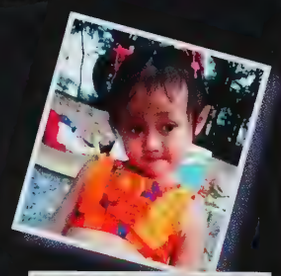


Vanessa Leibel

We are so lucky to have stolen Vanessa away from Calgary in Grade 7, as her infectious smile and enthusiastic personality light up the halls of GNS. Vanessa's favorite memories include: volleyball tournaments, library laugh attacks and coming catastrophically close to ending Mr. Irvine's 10 year streak of no student injuries by flinging a boiling cube across the physics lab. A geo kid through and through, Vanessa hopes to one day be an environmental geographer. Until then, you will find her cruising around UBC in her Mini, en route to Food, Nutrition, and Health, if she doesn't crash into another flower truck before then!

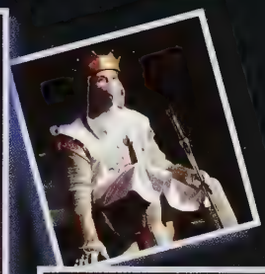
Taylor Leong

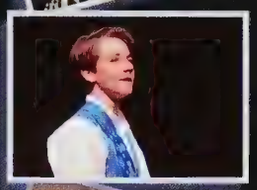
With ice coffee in hand, Taylor is always happy to be here at GNS. She has been a part of our community for 14 years! Her fondest memories are from the beach campus with the Grade 5 bike trip as a highlight. She will miss the cookies and on-line learning with Mr. Irvine in his watermelon hat, with his chickens, dogs and guitar! Taylor will most likely be chillin' on a beach somewhere, but in the meantime she will study social sciences at the University of Victoria. This makes perfect sense for Taylor, as her Homeform knows that she is extremely friendly, welcoming, and supportive. All the best, Taylor!



Sze Wai "Tracy" Lin

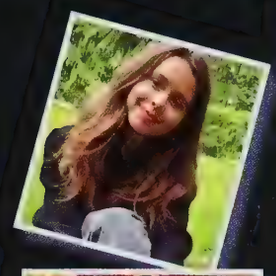
Tracy Lin is a rock star! We have all loved seeing the quiet and modest Tracy let her hair down, then cut it off and then let her rhythm fly on the drums on stage. A favourite memory? Christmas Breakfast—probably the only meal she's had without hot sauce. Seriously—hot sauce on all the things—even things that were already spicy! Although a musician through and through and winner of prestigious music awards, Tracy is bound for a science career. She will probably own her own Biotech company one day after a stint at the University of British Columbia. Whatever she does, she will always shine.





Wesley Lloyd-Kruger

Vesley, (Govenor) the fearless face of several characters in roductions has dazzled the stage. A leader in jazz orchestra, and aster of the Last Post on trumpet, Wesley is a man of many talents. le loves Star Wars, Model UN and dragons—rumour has it he even sked if he could do his history IA on them? Wes was often in the brary, engaged in a battle of wits with Anders, or playing chess with atrick. From his Scottish accent, to his Mr. Thompson Halloween ibute and impression of Mr. Stanley, Wesley is well on his way to onquering the world. We wish him all the best at the University of ictoria studying social sciences.

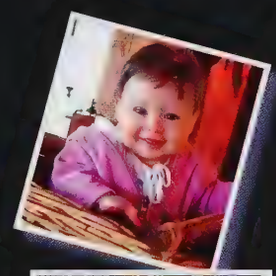


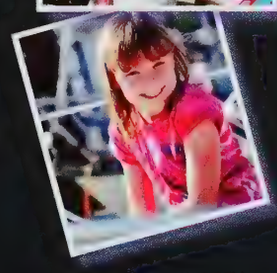
Morgan Macdonald

This Fall, stylish Morgan, will explore New York City, sipping Yerba Mate, playing Led Zeppelin tunes on her bass guitar 'Senõr Pete' in her cozy dorm just outside Manhattan. Her unwavering organization and wish for fun and happiness for everyone have distinguished her as an amazing Grad Prefect. She is a kind, warmhearted and weird-in-all-the-right-ways friend who can always be counted on. We know that Morgan's energetic spirit and creativity will shine through as she pursues her studies in writing and music at Sarah Lawrence College, with the goal of becoming an arts and culture journalist.

Gabrielle MacPherson

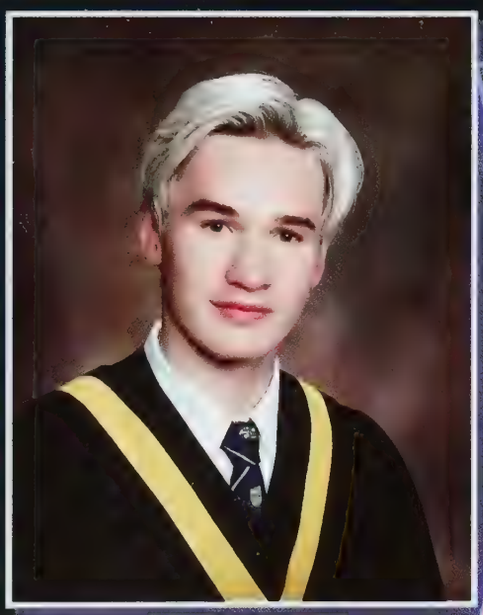
ibby, Gabs, Gibbsters, are just some of the nicknames of our ncredibly sweet, coffee-loving and determined Gabby. She is set to nock the socks off everyone at the University of Toronto studying nternational Relations in the prestigious Munk 1 Program. Gabby ose to stardom while organizing GMUN online—move over, ntonio Gutteras! We will miss her impeccable wit, flair for etting things done and her immense kindness. Gabby will miss her riends and the strong connections within our community. Winner f the BC Excellence Scholarship, we know she will do great nings wherever she goes and all we have to do is watch in awe.

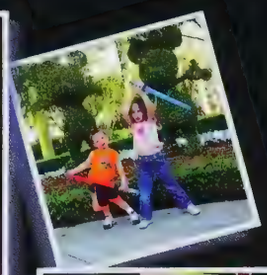




Dana Mavrow

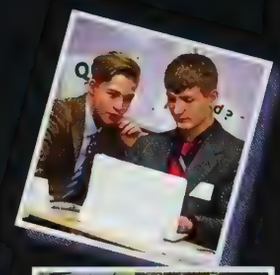
Dana—debater, academic, nurturer, actor—a cherished member of our grad class who has too many favourite memories to just pick one! Highlights include debate, ultimate frizzbee and every single Senior School theatre production. Etched in our memories are Cogsworth, Mrs. Gibbs and The Lady of the Lake! Calm and collected, Dana has single handedly taken care of the most verbose group of debaters ever. She was the epitome of positivity even in the most dramatic storm. Now onto her next adventure in the engineering program at the University of British Columbia.





Jacob McIntyre

Jacob is a talented fashion icon with hair like Jack Frost. His dedication to always looking put together translates into his extremely hard work. Whether it's becoming a track star, mastering figure skating, or blowing us away with his singing, Jacob has shown he'll succeed in everything he sets his mind to. Math is Jacob's jam, and he rocks at it, always eager to lend a hand to anyone. Next year Jacob will pack his fancy bags to go study Math at McGill University. We hope he enjoys mastering his triple axel on Montreal's frozen lakes and being a mathematical sensation.

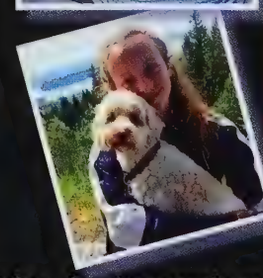


Patrick Michalak

Patrick, Patty, Santa Claus. Many have become chess masters, no one has become the master of chess -- that may be true, but Patric is well on his way. In Grade 11 he was assigned the Manatee as his spirit animal by Ms. Chatterton. Slow moving, curious and deliberate. But this intellectual can turn a classic Shakespearean tragedy into a disturbing high school fanfiction AND write exceptional literary analyses of the most vague Atwood cat poem while fuelled by cold brewed coffee and red bull. This fall, Patric is off to Carleton where he will study journalism.

Rowan Morahan

With an entire pizza as his morning snack, Rowan can always be depended upon for his sarcastic wit and stories of training fueled by breakfasts of cold spaghetti or multiple burgers. Do we see a theme here? Rowan's fondest memories of his 13 years at GNS include the crab fighting pits, random conversations in the library, and learning about resonant frequencies during GNS-GO! In particular, Rowan will always remember when "Good Ol' Irvine" got the class to fill glass bottles with water to play the physics rendition of Mary Had a Little Lamb. Accepted to several schools to study engineering, Rowan will attend the University of Victoria this fall.

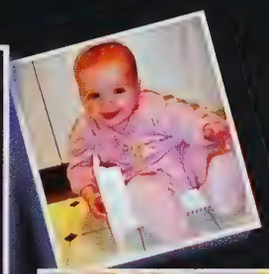


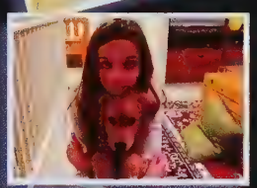
Fiona Morrical

With her simultaneously quiet and loud personality Fiona has always been an amazing friend. If you wanted to find her this year, you just had to look for the sleeping burrito in the corner of the library. From Huckleberry Finn to Chip, from Beauty and the Beast to Patsy in Spamalot, Fiona's energy is rarely constrained. Bishop's University is lucky to have her as she goes to study classics and theatre, where her sword fighting skills will make her a tour de force on campus. She consistently embodies the theatre mantra: the show must go on!

Alexander Muller-Clemm

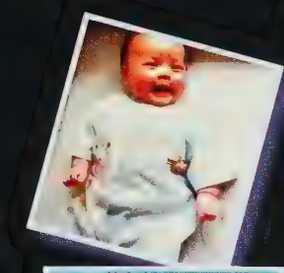
orn in Ottawa, Alex discovered his personality was too big for our ation's capital, so west he came! He crept into our hallowed halls the 7th Grade, making a name for himself with books on athematics, and his freakish height. Soon, he found a home on the ebate team, making his hot takes heard and talents known through ock epics and epic mocks. Alex's humour was a beacon of light the dreariest hours of study, as he reached his pinnacle by osting "The Price Is Rice," Grad '21 edition. He made the right hoice by heading to Ryerson next year to embark on a study of ports media.





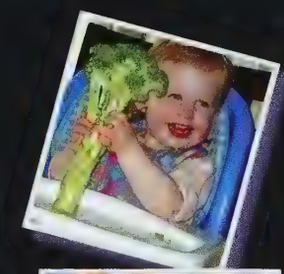
Erica Patrick

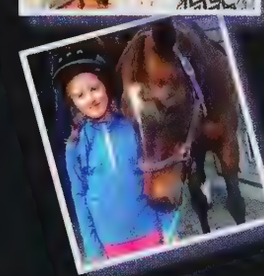
Be it her role as Lysander on Shakespeare day, her breathtaking paintings hanging in Upper Simpson, or her trumpet and beautiful singing, as Arts Prefect, Erica has left her mark on GNS Arts. Erica's dedication and generosity have inspired her peers to be creative, and laugh at their mistakes. She endears us with her quirky sense of humour (costume costume) and surprise "fist bumps" when you least expect it, but need it most. Erica's ability to light up any room she's in, will follow her to UBC where she will continue to study in the Faculty of Arts.



Sabrina Ng

Sabrina quietly infiltrated GNS and our hearts in Grade 11. A lover of the freshly baked Dining Hall cookies, her inquiring mind coupled with an openness to try new things, has made her a wonderful addition to our community. She fondly remembers the days before the pandemic when she and the volleyball team traveled to Vancouver. She is adored by her homestay family and we will all miss her very much as she leaves us to attend the University of Alberta to study Nutrition and Food Science. All the best, Sabrina.



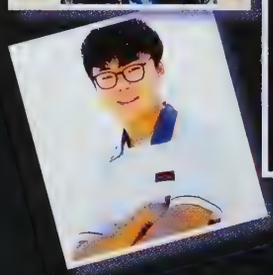


Grace Poole

Hard working and candid, Grace finds time for sailing, running, ultimate, sailing, working out, horse riding, and sailing. A Gryphon since Grade 1, Grace will miss the ability to turn the lab into a disaster in the name of science fair. When she is quiet, she is busy cooking up clever puns or trying to figure out what street she is driving on! In the future we'll find her as a professional athlete with "a really cool and nerdy side job." In the meantime, we wish her luck studying Chemistry and Computer Science. Grace, we know you'll sail right through.

Kelley Poole

Our even-keeled, never-stressed, future meteorologist, can either be found sailing, studying, or hanging out with his friends. It's no surprise that Kelley's favourite memory from GNS is playing at the Junior School beach, a suitable beginning for our sailing expert. With a ready laugh, Kelley has navigated his way into our hearts—his witty jokes always lightening the tone of any room that he enters. A kind and hard-working student, Kelley will continue to improve the world at the University of Victoria where he will study earth and ocean sciences with dreams to be a part of the Canadian National Sailing Team.



Jeongmin Seo

A quiet, polite math genius, Jeongmin's legacy was the time he innocently asked to use the washroom during class, but instead proceeded to walk home to make instant noodles. Little did he know that an earthquake drill was scheduled for that block. His explanation, "But I was quite hungry!" seemed plausible coming from that innocent face. Jeongmin will long cherish the memory of scoring his first goal in the last league game of the soccer season. Next year, he plans to study life science or biomedical science at the University of California San Diego and hopes one day to run his own business.

Tom Shields

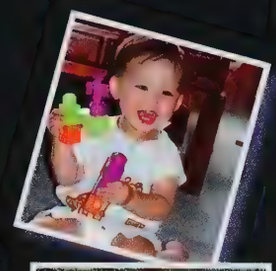
Perhaps the most widely-read young scholar to walk these GNS hallways, Tom has an allusion for every occasion: from politics to literature to cinema, everything's connected in his whip-sharp mind. Our quiet and clever grad will not shy away from challenges and we know that his tenacity will lead him to many great places. Tom leaves us to study Humanities at the University of McGill where we are sure he will be dedicated to the pursuit of knowledge.

Marisa Smith

The last and, dare we say, most devilishly delightful of the Smith Clan to graduate from GNS, Marisa is universally acknowledged as "Nonsense Game Tyrant," Kahoots enthusiast, and for "kind of saying weird things every so often." Over her time with us, Marisa has learned many valuable life skills including how to frantically peer edit, apply physics to the streets, and outrun her friends. She has proved time and again that she is ready to take on any challenge be it academic or wasabi, and that she balances her time as gracefully as she cartwheels. Marisa looks forward to studying business at the University of Victoria.

Finnbar Sweeney

Beloved by peers, teachers, and coaches alike, since Grade 3 this "nearly lifer" has graced GNS with his presence, and a trail of candy. Finnbar fondly remembers the zipline at Camp David and his accomplishments on the Senior Boys basketball team. During his last years of high school, he could usually be found "chillin' in the library" with the cool kids—playing games, talking about basketball and sometimes doing homework. As Finnbar heads off to the University of Victoria to study engineering, his kind heart and witty humour will be missed by all.

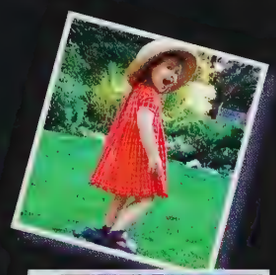


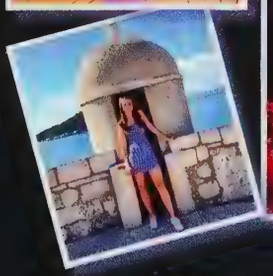
Jamie Tam

Although Jamie appears quiet and introverted, he is happy to talk to anyone and is very pleasant. However, he would secretly rather be at home, preferably sleeping, playing video games, in pyjamas, or eating sushi, in pyjamas, or just eating—in pyjamas, of course! Jamie will have plenty of time to do that when he hangs up his GNS uniform to study social sciences at Western University. Apart from being a foodie, Jamie is a family guy, and will miss our friendly community and his homestay dinners, but we know he will make good friends and one day he may even have his very own cat.

Brooke Taylor

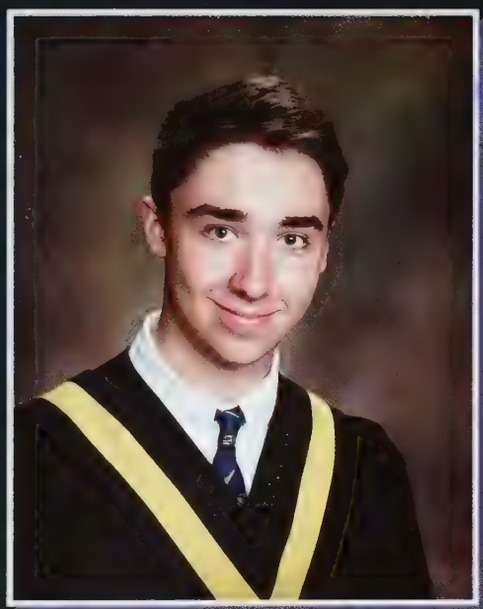
f not on the pitch winning the next field hockey nationals, Brooke will be somewhere else in the outdoors—mountain biking at Hartland, shredding the slopes of Mt Washington, OR right here in Oak Bay lugging her portable fire pit to Willows beach for a late night marshmallow roast! And all of this while gracefully balancing her massive pile of homework. Kiteboard in hand and three lunches in her stomach, Brooke will head to the University of Victoria to play varsity field hockey and study sciences, where she will wear her banana bucket hat on a daily basis and make new friends everywhere she goes.





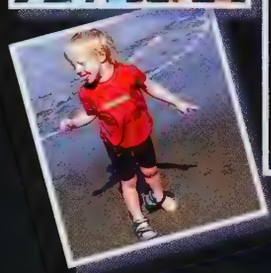
Sophie Van Cuylenborg

Since arriving at GNS in Grade 8, Sophie has absolutely rocked this school by its socks. She's a dazzling basketball superstar—#2 on the court and #1 in our hearts. Did you know she makes fantastic banana bread and also sings a mean Karaoke version of Let It Go? Even on her worst day, our Sophie wears the brightest smile, and lights up any room she walks into. Whether she attends McGill or the University of British Columbia next year, our beloved SAC prefect will single handedly save our planet and make the world a better place.



Andrew Wale

Whether sculling across the waves, booming on the Trombone, pumping iron, or debating, Andrew always gives 100%. His unwavering commitment to the Comic Sans font was a constant source of distress to ALL of his teachers but his dulcet tones rang out with insight and eloquence. We learned to overlook his font choice, as every genius is allowed their quirks. This would-be trike race champion will miss his brunches and ordering pizza for the entire class. Andrew will take his diplomatic self, cool bow ties and many gavels as he heads off to the University of British Columbia to study Arts One.



Corin Wallace

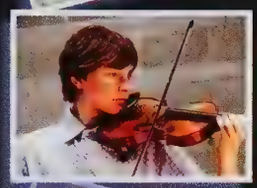
This Head Prefect's rise to power came as no surprise to those who know him best. Corin, or "Mr. Worldwide" is a lovely human being: his friends remark "like, not only does he want to make you feel comfortable and happy, but he's always able to tell what's wrong or what is going on with you." He is equally comfortable crushing in debate or dropping dimes on the b-ball court. Although he loved his time with the basketball team, he was not impressed with his teammates' rendition of "Oh, Canada" when they found out he had earned his Canadian citizenship. This last of the Wallace Clan plans to attend the University of British Columbia to study Engineering.

Lily Watters

At first glance Lily appears quiet, shy even. Don't be fooled, she is no wallflower. Lily or as some might know her: LJ, Lilias or Louise is animated, generous and resilient. These qualities have served her well on the soccer field and basketball court. Her most defining moment of high school was going viral on TikTok. Lily will miss savouring chicken nuggets and fries in the Library and chatting with Ms. Drury about life. She hopes to spend time travelling with her trusty ride, Jellybean, before heading off to the University of Victoria to pursue Visual Studies and Humanities.

Katrina Wei

Katrina arrived at GNS in Grade 8 and has blazed a path of academic glory ever since. While passionate about learning, Kat, Kato, Kit Kat is also known for her love of the arts and ice cream. In art club, she combined these passions to create the most exquisite ice cream ornament. One of her fondest memories is the pre-Covid Senor Reeves Homeform Wednesday breakfasts. As Katrina heads to Queens University to study Health Sciences, she regrets not seeing the upcoming reinvention of the Atkins building, but we invite this future paediatrician to be first in line to witness its opening.



Anders Woodruff

ome know Anders as the GNS debate and MUN legend, and others now him as the composer of the Concert Band piece, "Gryphon." /hat few know is that the Middle School debaters cheer whenever walks in the room. In his spare time, you may find him vibing to DM in his Crocs. Speaking of Crocs, for twins day he supplied all his friends with a pair from his personal collection. Dress Crocs, asual Crocs, Cabin Crocs—you get the idea. Next year, he will ke a gap year to consider offers from many universities in the field computer engineering. Anders, when you take over the world rough algorithms, just remember all of us at GNS.

Sarah Zarzour

arah is incredibly stealthy—so much so that she'd be an asset to ny bank heist. She is also a super fast runner, at least when utrunning wild beasts while camping with friends. Frequently ound in the Learning Commons, earning her role as the puzzle naster extraordinaire, Sarah is forever the peacemaker amongst her riends. She also had the stomach to make it through Ms. Mikes' nfamous Liver Lab, while those with a weaker constitution fled the cene. Joining a select group of candidates studying Kinesiology, arah will face the frosty, frigid Alberta winters at the University f Calgary. Dress warmly, Sarah.

Hannah Yin

Certified mom friend, Social Justice warrior, Gotcha sacrificial lamb, and debater most likely to fight her opponents AND the judges. Since joining GNS in Grade 10, Hannah has single-handedly fed a group of teenagers with everything from homemade dumplings to baby crackers and bubble tea. Referring to her friends as "masters," mostly to distress Marisa, she in fact serves every level of her community—Cultural Prefect, flute player, pipa (PEEPA) performer, and GMUN director. Looking to her future, Hannah hopes to not be unemployed after earning her PoliSci degree from the University of Toronto. We hope she'll come back to visit—with dumplings.

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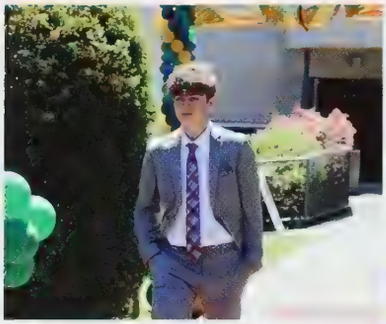

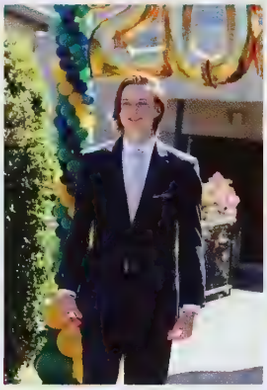

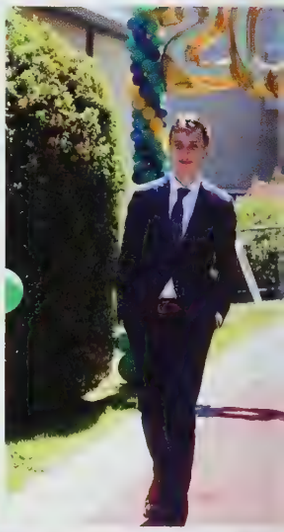

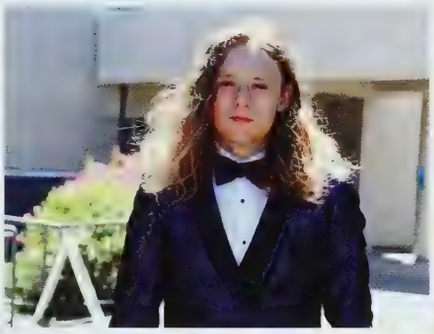
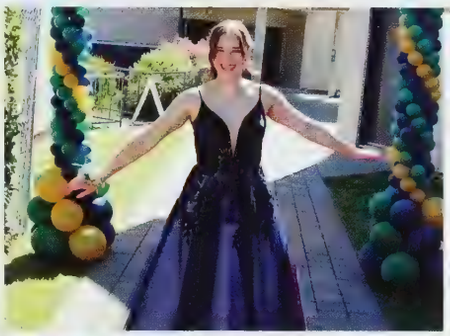

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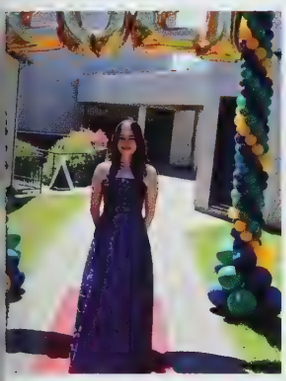

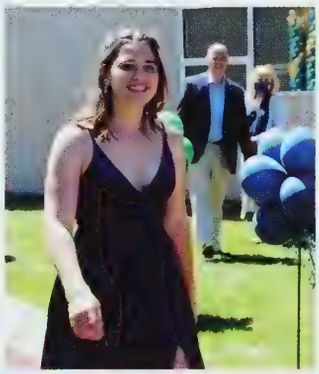

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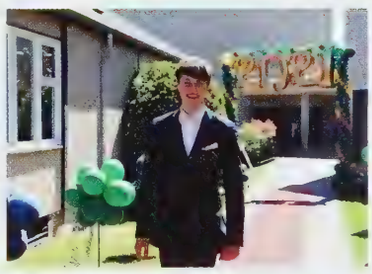
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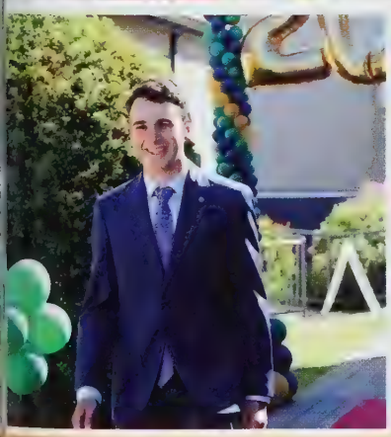

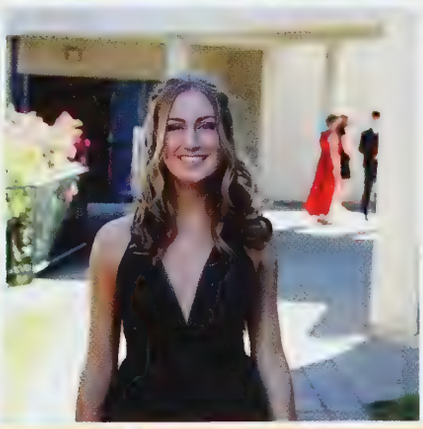

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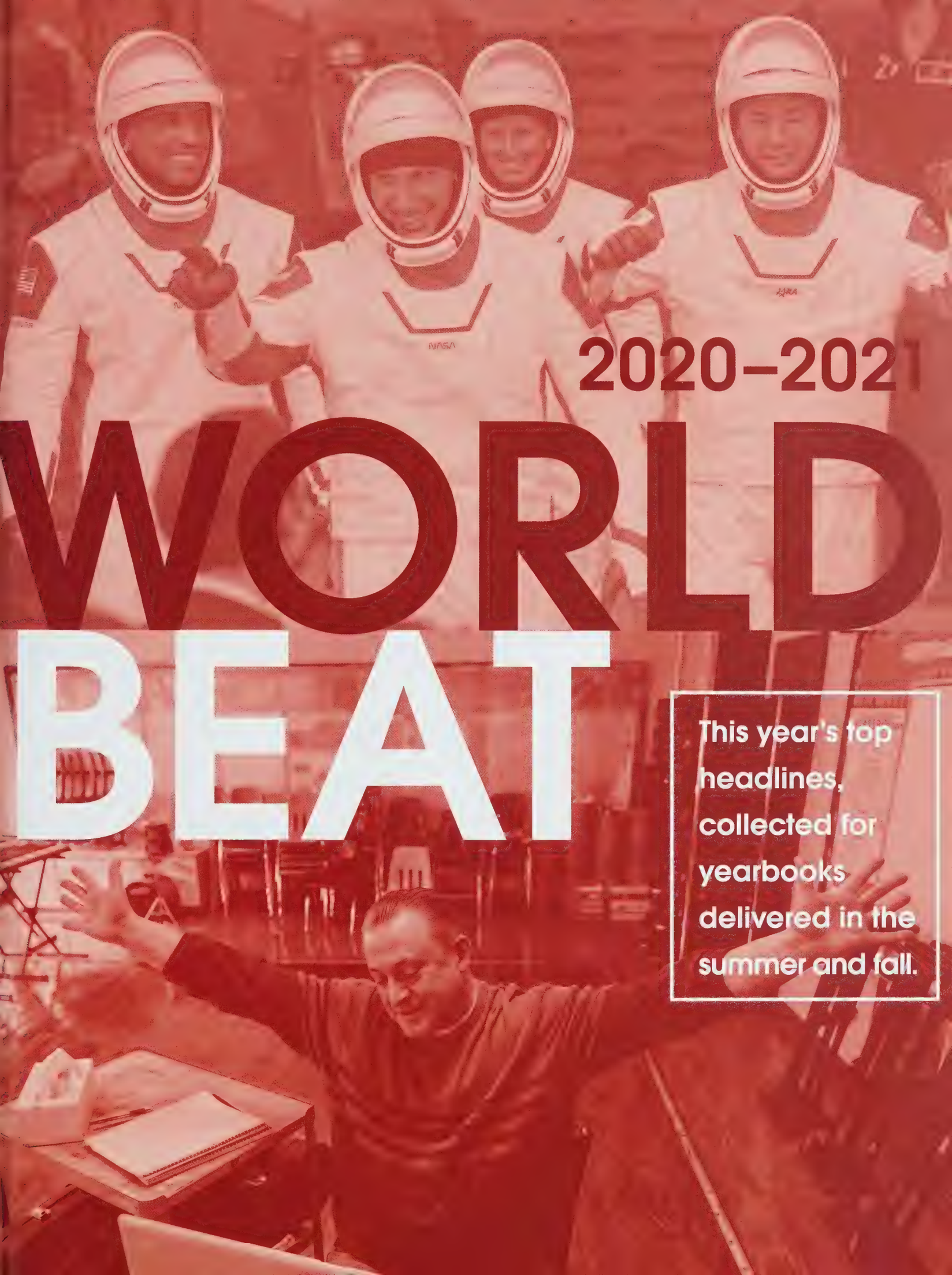
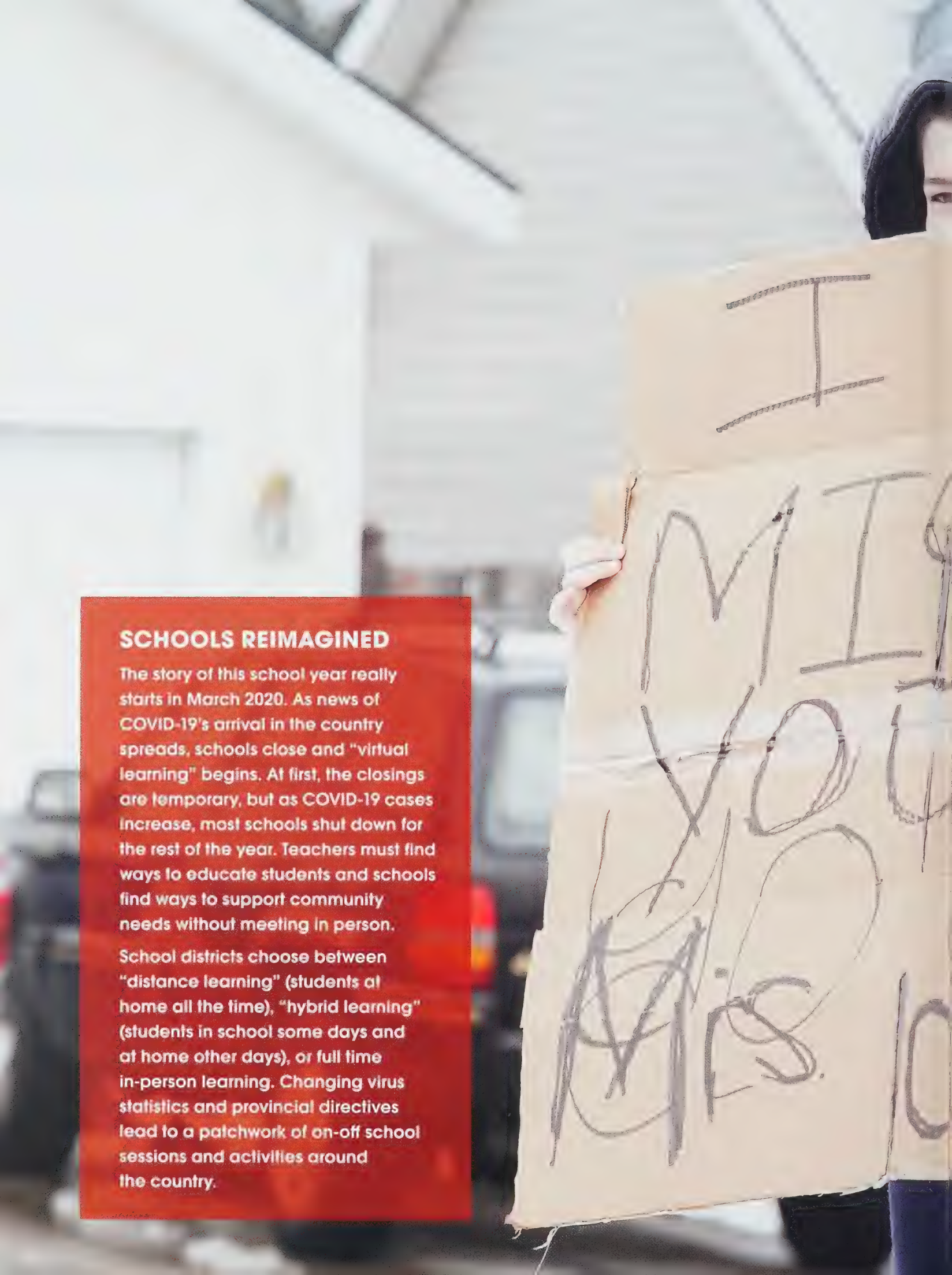


2020–2021 WORLD BEAT

This year's top headlines, collected for yearbooks delivered in the summer and fall.



SCHOOLS REIMAGINED

The story of this school year really starts in March 2020. As news of COVID-19's arrival in the country spreads, schools close and "virtual learning" begins. At first, the closings are temporary, but as COVID-19 cases increase, most schools shut down for the rest of the year. Teachers must find ways to educate students and schools find ways to support community needs without meeting in person.

School districts choose between "distance learning" (students at home all the time), "hybrid learning" (students in school some days and at home other days), or full time in-person learning. Changing virus statistics and provincial directives lead to a patchwork of on-off school sessions and activities around the country.

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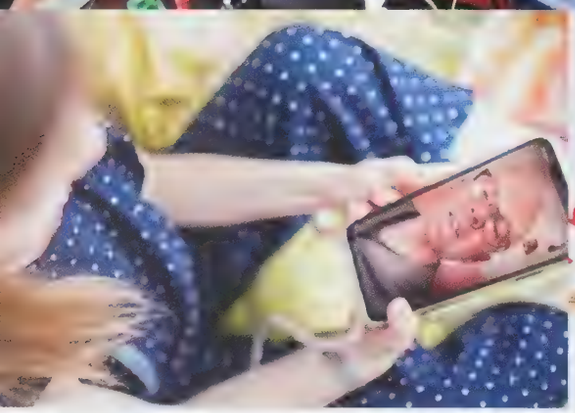
COVID-19 VOCABULARY

CURBSIDE PICKUP: avoiding entering stores or restaurants. **DRIVE-THROUGH TESTING:** COVID-19 testing sites with as little personal contact as possible. **FLATTEN THE CURVE:** slowing the spread over time. **ASYNCHRONOUS LEARNING:** teachers post lessons and assignments online for students to access. **PPE:** Personal Protective Equipment like masks and latex gloves. **SHELTERING IN PLACE:** staying at home except for necessary errands or exercise. **SOCIAL DISTANCING:** staying at least 6 feet away from others. **SUPERSPREADER:** gatherings that result in numerous cases.



NO HUGGING GRANDPA

Grandparents and other older relatives are at higher risk of serious COVID-19 effects, so families work hard to keep them safe by staying away. This proves a hardship for everyone, especially on holidays and special occasions. FaceTime, Zoom and Skype allow relatives to at least talk face-to-face when they cannot be together and help lessen feelings of isolation and loneliness.

RACE TO VACCINATE

Over 140 possible COVID-19 vaccines are in development by December 2020, the shortest vaccine development timeline in history. Canada to receive 44 million doses of the Pfizer, Moderna and AstraZeneca vaccines by Canada Day.

BICYCLE BOOM

Early in the pandemic, with gyms closed and school sports seasons cut short, demand for bikes surges and, in early 2021, continues to outpace supply. Bicycle industry experts predict that the bike shortage will last into 2022.

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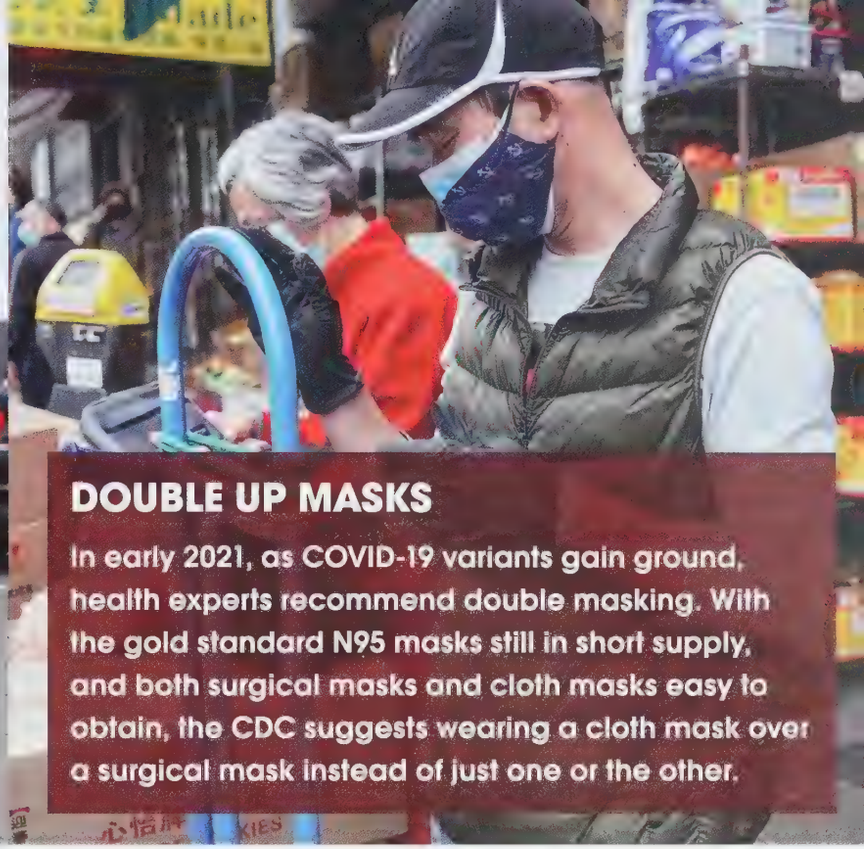
DRIVE-BY PARTIES

Across North America, people take to their vehicles o connect and celebrate without violating social distancing rules. Drive-by birthday celebrations and even graduations become the norm.



DOUBLE UP MASKS

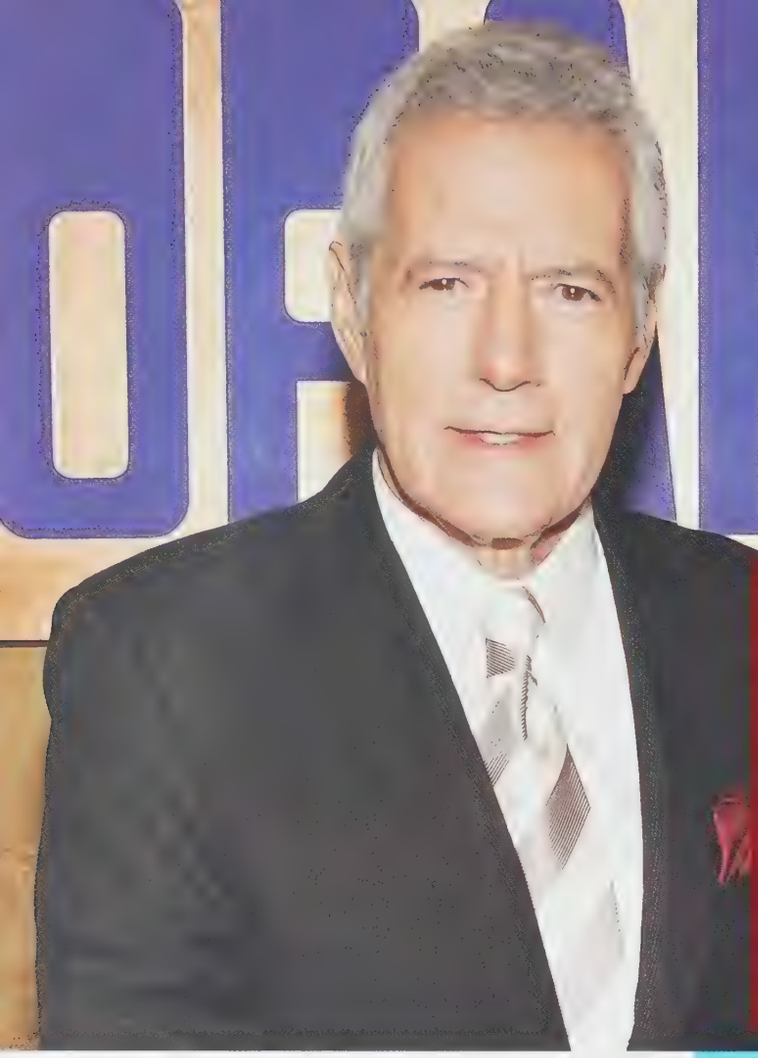
In early 2021, as COVID-19 variants gain ground, health experts recommend double masking. With the gold standard N95 masks still in short supply, and both surgical masks and cloth masks easy to obtain, the CDC suggests wearing a cloth mask over a surgical mask instead of just one or the other.

QUARANTINE FOOD TRENDS

As the quarantine wave hit the U.S. in March 2020, TikTok influencers spread at-home food trends like banana bread, Dalgona coffee, and pancake cereal. By January 2021, TikTok users turned to new ideas, like Mexican birria tacos, feta-tomato pasta sauce, and West African fufu.

TEACHERS ADAPT

Educators take on new tasks in addition to new teaching techniques, like doing temperature checks and disinfecting surfaces. Hybrid teaching schedules often halve the number of in-school hours for students, meaning that teachers must condense curriculum.



ALEX TREBEK DIES

Alex Trebek, longtime Canadian-American game show host and television personality, dies at age 80. Over 37 seasons, Trebek hosted more than 8,200 episodes of *Jeopardy!*

Born and raised in Sudbury, Ontario, Trebek once said, "I don't think life would be as rewarding if I weren't helping my fellow man out whenever I get the chance." In 2017, Trebek was named an officer of the Order of Canada, the country's second-highest civilian honour.

SNOWBIRDS OP. INSPIRATION

The Canadian Forces Snowbirds are the official aerobatic team of the Royal Canadian Air Force and are a national symbol at events. In August 2020, the Snowbirds 431 Air Demonstration Squadron deploys Operation Inspiration, a cross-Canada tour to lift the spirits of Canadians and salute front-line workers during the COVID-19 pandemic. Captain Jennifer Casey died in a tragic accident during take-off from the Kamloops Airport, BC.

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MARRIAGE AT BORDER

With travel restrictions in place due to the pandemic and family on both sides of the closed Canada/USA border, couples find creative ways to marry. One couple, Jaxon & Kadee Jensen, arrange their wedding in a field south of Cardston, AB at the Alberta/Montana boundaries. Obtaining special permission from border services and local landowners, the bride's father walks his daughter down the aisle, with each of them and their loved ones on either side of the fence and in different countries.

Photo: Juli Miller

GOV. PAYETTE RESIGNS

In the midst of reports from numerous employees alleging a "toxic" work environment at Rideau Hall, the official residence of Canada's Governor General, Julie Payette resigns. Appointed to the position in 2017 by current Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, Payette leaves the 5-year term early.

GOVERNMENT BENEFITS

In response to the global pandemic, the government of Canada creates income support program Canada Emergency Response Benefit (CERB) for individuals and financial support program Canada Emergency Wage Subsidy (CEWS) for businesses. Minister of Employment Carla Qualtrough explains, "It is during these difficult times that Canadians should not have to choose between protecting their health and continuing to support their families."

SPACE X LIFTOFF

In the first NASA partnership with a private corporation, Elon Musk's Space X company, the first astronauts head to the International Space Station. Lifting off in Space X's "Crew Dragon," U.S. astronauts go into orbit on a U.S.-built rocket for the first time in nine years. They will spend six months in space, joining another NASA astronaut and two Russian cosmonauts.

TITLE VII LAWSUIT

The U.S. Women's National Soccer Team's claim that their working conditions are not equal to those of the U.S. Men's Team leads to a settlement in their favour. U.S. Soccer agrees to provide both teams with comparable charter flights and hotel accommodations, along with staffing numbers.

NOVA SCOTIA TRAGEDY

In the deadliest rampage in Canadian history, a denturist impersonates a police officer and kills 22 people during a thirteen-hour crime spree.

Fundraisers for the victims and their families start on crowdfunding platforms. A permanent memorial is set up at a former church in Portapique, Nova Scotia to honour the victims.

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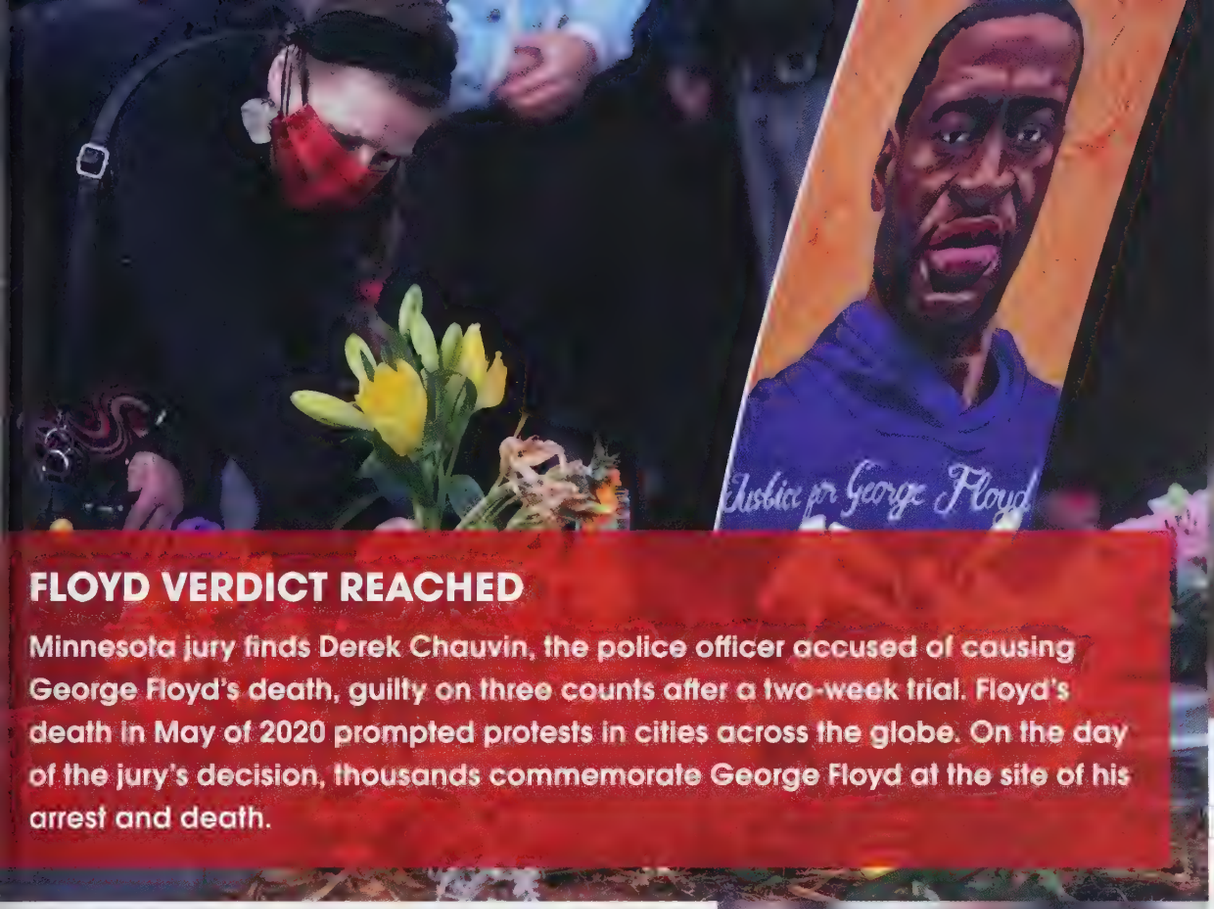


FLOYD VERDICT REACHED

Minnesota jury finds Derek Chauvin, the police officer accused of causing George Floyd's death, guilty on three counts after a two-week trial. Floyd's death in May of 2020 prompted protests in cities across the globe. On the day of the jury's decision, thousands commemorate George Floyd at the site of his arrest and death.

OLYMPICS POSTPONED

In a rare decision, the Tokyo 2020 Summer Olympics are postponed until July 2021. Following a rise in COVID-19 cases, Japan decides that no foreign spectators will be allowed, and athletes must take COVID-19 tests every four days. Athletes are also prohibited from using public transportation or visiting tourist sites during the games.

PRINCE PHILIP'S LIFE OF SERVICE

Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh, dies after a life of service. As one of the Royal Navy's youngest first lieutenants, he serves in WWII and receives honourary appointments with the British Military. Prince Philip advocates for conservation, wildlife and the environment.

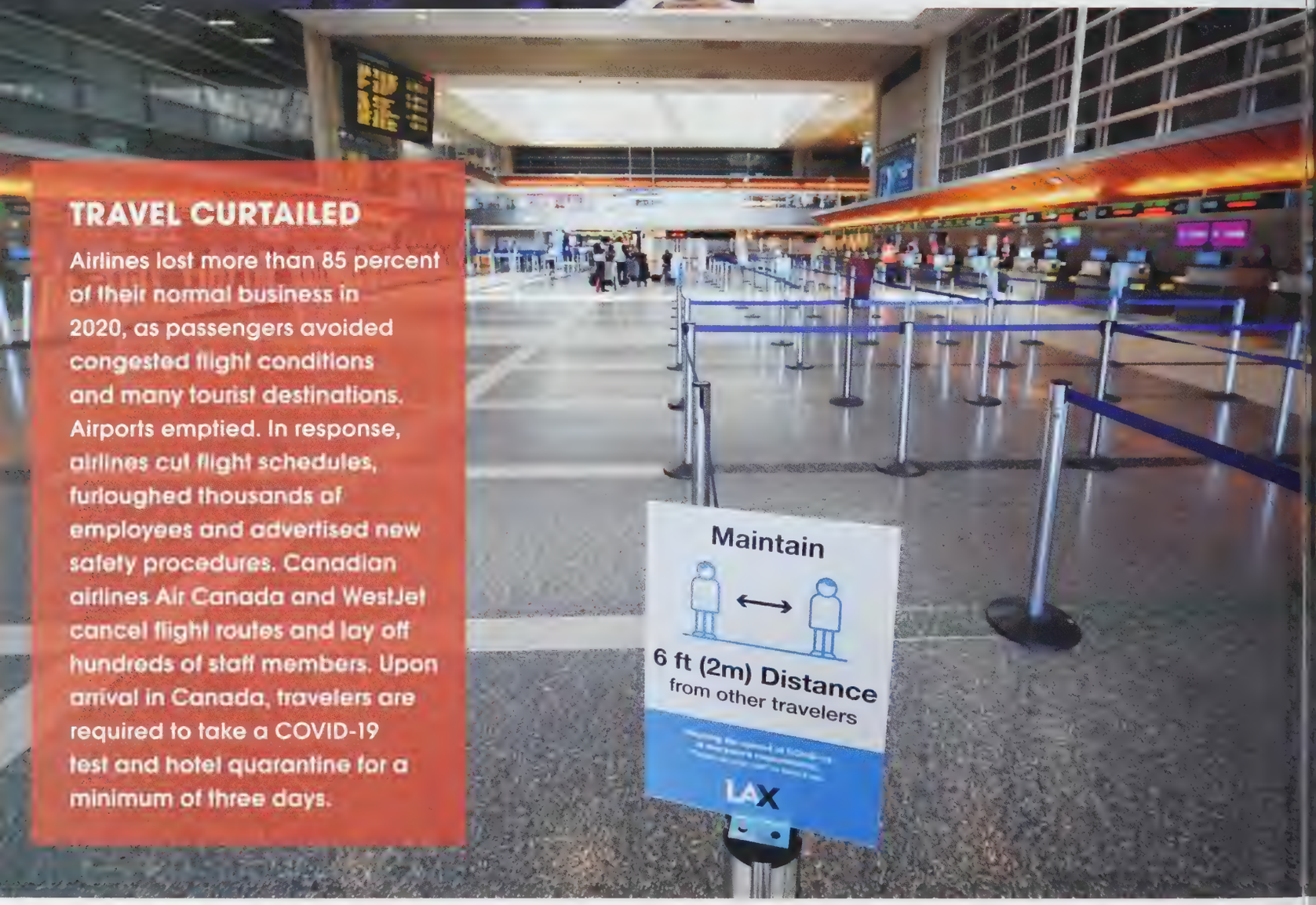
Queen Elizabeth notes, "This and many other countries, owe him a debt greater than he would ever claim, or we shall ever know."

SUEZ CANAL BLOCKED

For the first time in the Suez Canal's 150-year history, a ship becomes lodged and blocks hundreds of incoming ships for nearly a week. The 200,000-tonne ship, *Ever Given*, is taller than the Eiffel Tower and measures 400-meters in length. The Egypt Suez Canal runs between Africa and the Sinai Peninsula.

STOCK ROLLER COASTER

COVID-19 affects the stock market throughout 2020. The Dow Jones Industrial Index falls almost 8 percent on March 10th and then 10 percent on March 12th, 2020, as news of COVID-19 spreads and oil prices fall. Still, stock prices climb overall for the year and the Dow Jones Industrial Average sees an overall return of over 8 percent as of December.



TRAVEL CURTAILED

Airlines lost more than 85 percent of their normal business in 2020, as passengers avoided congested flight conditions and many tourist destinations. Airports emptied. In response, airlines cut flight schedules, furloughed thousands of employees and advertised new safety procedures. Canadian airlines Air Canada and WestJet cancel flight routes and lay off hundreds of staff members. Upon arrival in Canada, travelers are required to take a COVID-19 test and hotel quarantine for a minimum of three days.

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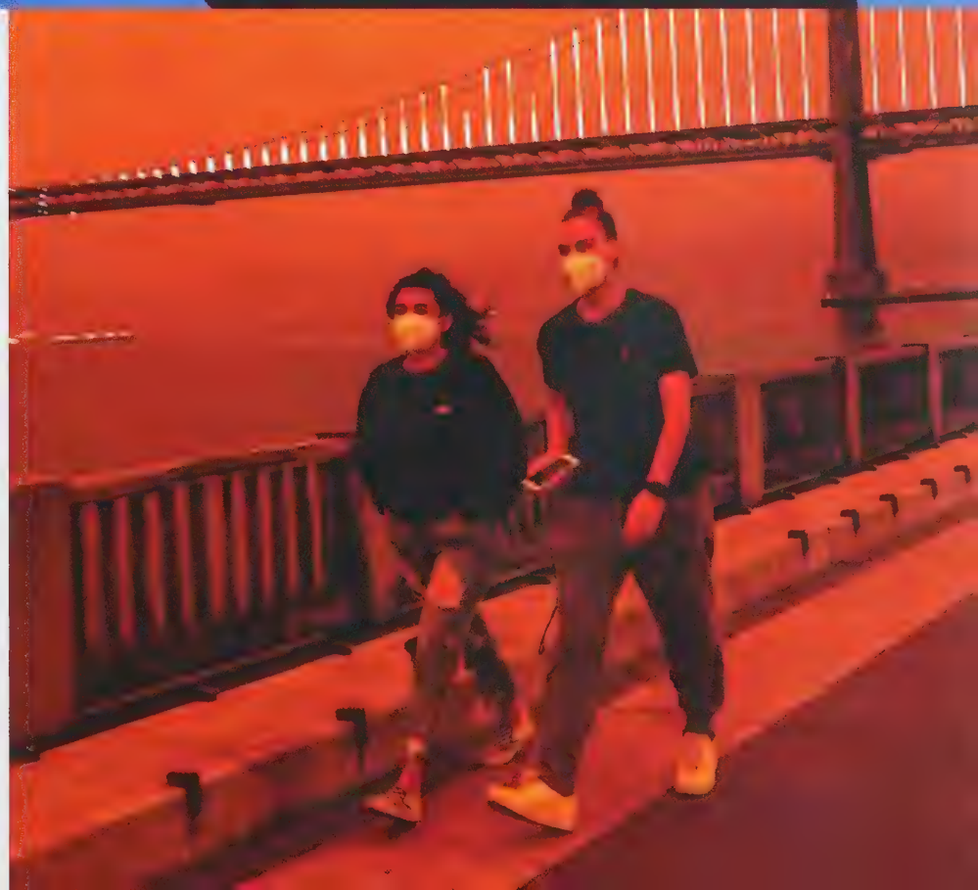
46TH PRESIDENT & VICE PRESIDENT HARRIS

Joseph R. Biden becomes president of the United States after record voter turnout in this one-of-a-kind pandemic election. Due to the large numbers of absentee ballots cast, media outlets do not declare Biden the winner until the Saturday following the election.

Kamala Harris, the daughter of immigrants from India and Haiti, becomes the first African American and Asian American woman to win the vice presidency.

FIRES RAGE

The United States experiences a record-setting wildfire season. According to the National Interagency Fire Center, over 10 million acres burn in 2020. On Sept. 8 and 9, the skies along the western coast of the U.S. turn an unearthly shade of red-orange because of nearby fires and smoke.



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SUPER BOWL LV

Tampa Bay wins their second title, defeating the Kansas City Chiefs, as the Buccaneers' defense and quarterback Tom Brady dominate. The match-up was a battle between the greatest quarterback of all time and the current best, Patrick Mahomes. At 43 years old, Brady is the oldest player to ever play in the Super Bowl. The game is his 10th Super Bowl and he set NFL records with this seventh win and fifth MVP. The halftime show featured entertainer The Weeknd.

ADJUSTED SPORTS SEASONS

Decisions about sports cancellations or delays varied greatly across the provinces, leading to agonizing back-and-forths. A handful of organizations cancel fall sports completely, while others delay the season's start or move fall sports to the spring. COVID-19 outbreaks lead to unplanned delays.

MLB WORLD SERIES

Concluding the shortest MLB season on record, the Dodgers win the World Series after the Tampa Bay Rays make a controversial pitching change in Game 6, breaking Blake Snell's momentum in favour of reliever Nick Anderson. Mookie Betts slides home to give the Dodgers the go-ahead 2-1 run and the Dodgers win 3-1.

SPORTS

NBA CHAMPIONSHIP 2020

LeBron James wins his fourth Finals MVP award, tying Michael Jordan for that record, after a win over the Miami Heat. The Lakers win follows a tough year with the loss of former team leader Kobe Bryant. The team dedicates the season to him.

NHL REALIGNS BORDERS

Travel restrictions imposed by the government due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic close the Canada-U.S. border and cause the NHL to temporarily realign the season. All seven Canadian teams play in one division in a shortened season.

STANLEY CUP 2020

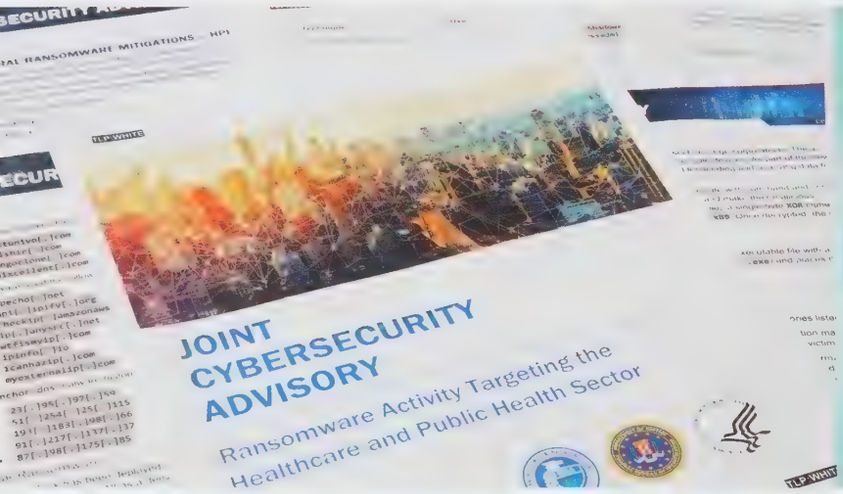
NHL playoffs are postponed to September, then limited to two locations in Canada, Toronto and Edmonton, due to COVID-19. The Tampa Bay Lightning win the Stanley Cup in a 2-0 game six victory over the Dallas Stars, achieving a 4-2 record in the best of seven series. Tampa Bay defenseman Victor Hedman is named Series MVP.

TIKTOK DODGES BAN

Concerns about national security leads President Trump to threaten to prohibit Chinese-owned TikTok downloads starting in November. Oracle proposes taking over ownership of TikTok U.S. data, and negotiations continue through the fall. Two federal district court judges rule that Trump's emergency economic powers are not sufficient.

U.S. SUES GOOGLE

The U.S. Department of Justice files a lawsuit against tech giant Google after a Congressional report accuses Google, Twitter, Amazon and others of using monopoly powers. The DOJ claims that Google has illegally paid computer manufacturers billions of dollars to choose Google as their default search engine and restrict rivals.



MICROSOFT NEUTRALIZES HACKERS

In December, evidence of the most sophisticated and far-reaching hack in years became public. A group of hackers known as "CozyBear" breached a trusted infrastructure supply chain. While Microsoft could not fix the damage already done, they were able to prevent further infiltration within four days.

CAN'T STOP GAMESTOP

Wall Street hedge funds bet that GameStop, a business hit hard by online gaming, would see falling stock prices. In response, a Reddit page called "Wall Street Bets" (WSB) urges followers to buy stock in GameStop. Millions of buyers sent GameStop stock prices surging 1600% in a few days.

TECH NE

SEE YOU ON ZOOM

The Zoom App goes from being a business-meeting app to an "everything" app in 2020, used for virtual learning, social gatherings, art performances, exercise classes, weddings, and funerals. Into 2021, downloading stats keep Zoom dominant in videoconferencing software, but with growing competition from Google Meet, Slack, and Microsoft Teams.

NOBEL PRIZE

Doctors Jennifer Doudna and Emmanuelle Charpentier win the Nobel Prize in Chemistry for their work developing a gene-editing technique known as Crispr-Cas9. *Crispr* stands for "clustered regularly interspaced short palindromic repeats," a type of sequencing in DNA chains that facilitates bacterial immunity. The Crispr technique allows scientists to cut out and replace chain segments. This will enable repairs to flawed genes and prevent diseases, but the technique's potential to create inheritable edited genes in humans is controversial.

GAMERS' DILEMMA

Sony and Microsoft release their newest gaming systems on the same day, November 12th, 2020. Microsoft's Xbox Series X and Sony's PlayStation 5 both offer much faster loading times than their predecessors and are similarly priced at about $500. However, Xbox Series X offers better backward capability, while PS5 offers a redesigned, more immersive controller. Which to buy? Depends on your game preference: *Halo* fans prefer the Xbox, while *God of War* fans want the PS5. Getting PS5 for the holidays proves so difficult that it inspires a *Saturday Night Live* skit.

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MARVEL STREAMING RIGHTS

Disney Plus is the streaming home to nearly every Marvel movie and TV Show. Distribution of *The Incredible Hulk* is owned by Universal Pictures. Spider-Man films are owned by Sony.

MASK TRENDS

While NIOSH-certified "N95" masks are the gold standard, they are unavailable to the general public for months. The urgent need for masks leads to countless creative designs and unending arguments about what the "best" masks are. Elastic loops? Ties around the head? One or two fabric layers? Filters?

EMMY'S SWEEPS

Created by father-son team Eugene and Daniel Levy, the quirky Canadian comedy series *Schitt's Creek* wins nine Emmys, the most in a year for a comedy series. The show features a wealthy family who fall on hard times.

CHADWICK BOSEMAN

Chadwick Boseman dies from colon cancer at age 43. After his diagnosis, he films five movies including *Black Panther*. At the 2021 Golden Globes, Boseman posthumously wins "Best Actor."

TIKTOK GROWS

Despite facing a threatened ban in the U.S., TikTok continues to grow to 732 million users as of April 2021, making millions of dollars for some contributors.

TRENDS

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